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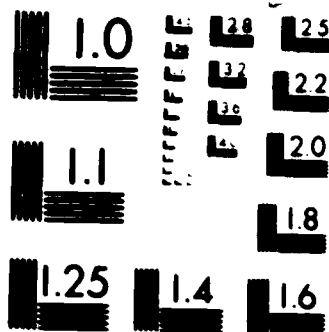
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Abstract

This document describes in detail a software tool for manipulating data files. The Surveillance Acoustics section at Defence Research Establishment Atlantic has acquired VAX computers over the last few years, and analysis tasks which were formerly done on PDP-11 computers are now being moved to the VAXen. PDP-11s are still used in the at-sea data collection role, so some means is necessary of transferring the data files thus produced to the VAXen for signal processing and analysis. PDP-11 data files are typically located on 9-track magnetic tape, so one method of transferring the data would be to read PDP-11 tapes on the VAXen. The software tool described here (a program named **TRANSFER**) was written, in part, to perform this data transfer chore, taking into account the special formats and header information in the files produced by the PDP-11s. Manipulation of data files already residing on a VAX is also possible using **TRANSFER**. The program is versatile, allowing the user to choose channels and data segments to be transferred between files with a high degree of freedom.

Sommaire

Le présent article décrit en détail un outil logiciel permettant la manipulation de fichiers de données. La section de l'acoustique de surveillance du Centre de recherches pour la défense, Atlantique, s'est doté d'ordinateurs VAX au cours des dernières années et les travaux d'analyse effectués jusqu'à présent sur des PDP-11 le sont maintenant au moyen du VAXen. Toutefois, les PDP-11 sont encore utilisés pour la cueillette des données en mer; les travaux d'analyse et de traitement des données nécessitent donc une méthode de transfert sur le VAXen des fichiers produits pendant la cueillette des données. Puisque les bandes magnétiques de 9 pistes constituent le support de mémoire typique des fichiers de données PDP-11, on peut envisager la procédure suivante comme méthode de transfert des données: lecture des données mémorisées sur les bandes PDP-11, puis transfert au VAXen. L'outil logiciel décrit dans le présent texte (un programme appelé **TRANSFER**) a été écrit en partie en vue d'assurer cette tâche de transfert des données, en fonction des données d'entête et des formats spéciaux des fichiers produits par le PDP-11. **TRANSFER** permet aussi la manipulation des fichiers de données déjà mémorisés dans un ordinateur VAX. Ce logiciel est très polyvalent et permet à l'utilisateur de choisir avec un grand degré de liberté les pistes et les segments de données à transférer d'un fichier à l'autre.



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1. INTRODUCTION

Until recently, data collected at sea by DREA scientists were analysed almost exclusively on PDP-11/34s. When the Surveillance Acoustics section began to purchase VAX computers, the situation changed drastically. Most analysis tools which existed on the 11/34s are now available on the VAXen (the accepted plural form for VAX) in a similar or more powerful form. New tools (such as a suite of shot-analysis programs) have also been appearing. The multi-user nature of the VAXen has made these software tools available to a wider range of users, and consequently more analysis is being performed.

PDP-11s have been used in the at-sea data collection role at DREA for approximately 10 years, and perform their job very efficiently. Real time data collection programs write data (generally to 9 track magnetic tape) in a format which has been well tuned to the needs of DREA scientists over the lifetime of the PDP-11s. Naturally enough, this format is somewhat foreign to the VAX computer, and data tapes produced on the PDP-11s cannot be read directly on the VAX without a software interface. To allow more users to access and analyze raw data, such a software interface has been written, and this note describes that tool, a program called **TRANSFER**.

TRANSFER has been written to be as general as possible, leaving many options open to the user. Most files written to tape by the PDP-11 data acquisition/analysis programs can be moved from mag-tape to the VAX using this program. The formats accepted are ".DAT" (time series data files), ".FTR" (Fourier coefficient files), and ".PWR" (power spectrum files). Other features such as transferring a segment of an input file defined by start and stop times, or transferring only a subset of the total number of channels in the input file are also available. Disk space is at a premium on the VAXen (as it is on all computers), so the latter feature is an important one. It allows disk space to be conserved if a user wishes to analyze only a few of the channels of input data available.

The default format for VAX disk files created by TRANSFER is binary direct access. This format allows random access to any block in the file, and is a relatively compact storage format. Most of the analysis programs now present on the VAXen accept input files in this format. An older format (READRT) is still used by some analysis programs, and TRANSFER will use this as its output format if requested.

Size reduction for disk files already on the VAX is desirable in many circumstances, so TRANSFER will also perform VAX disk file to VAX disk file transfers. The same options are offered in the disk-to-disk mode as in the tape-to-disk mode.

The next section of this note describes the formats of the tape files TRANSFER will accept from PDP-11s, and gives more details on the VAX and READRT disk file formats. Following that, a detailed description of program implementation will be given, including a discussion of all the options available. An example of program use is then presented to give the reader some feeling of how a terminal session proceeds and finally, some possibilities for future developments of the program are proposed.

2. FILE FORMATS

TRANSFER was originally written to accept 9-track magnetic tapes written by the DREA PDP-11 data recording programs, and transfer them to VAX files. To make this document self-contained, a brief description of the format of the various types of tape input

files will be presented here. A fuller description of the file formats and the philosophy behind their structure is contained in a Technical Communication by D. Caldwell [1]. Disk file types which are compatible with TRANSFER will also be described.

2.1 Time Series (.DAT) File Format

Time series data (.DAT) files are the most common type of input file used with the TRANSFER program. Time series data are recorded on magnetic tape on the PDP-11s in this format, and since it is the intention to use the VAX for most analysis, raw input data will be moved to the VAX via this file type.

Each tape file begins with a 512 byte header which describes the physical parameters of the file such as record length, sampling frequency, etc. The header is divided into four blocks - the first 32 bytes form an integer block (2 bytes per integer), the next 32 bytes form a floating point block (4 bytes per floating-point number), the next 128 bytes form a byte block (1 byte per entry) and the remaining 320 bytes form an ASCII block (1 character per byte). Table I illustrates these blocks and gives a brief description of the contents of each location in the header block. A more detailed description of the meaning of the header block contents can be found in [1].

The data portion of a typical time series file is diagrammed in Figure 1. In the sample file shown, there are m time samples for each of the n input channels. The values are multiplexed so that the first time sample for each channel appears in sequence, followed by the second time sample for each channel, etc. The DREA header actually allows the time series data to be written in other formats, but the one shown here is used almost exclusively.

2.2 Fourier Coefficient (.FTR) File Format

This type of file is used by analysis programs which require Fourier coefficients but do not contain an FFT module of their own. Programs for performing interference cancellation which require ".FTR" files currently exist on the VAX. A program (called SAFTR) [2] can be used to produce ".FTR" files from ".DAT" files on the VAX. TRANSFER will work with the ".FTR" format, but the ".DAT" format is more likely to be encountered.

As in the ".DAT" format, each ".FTR" file begins with a 512 byte header [1]. Table II gives a brief description of the contents of each location in the ".FTR" header block. Figure 2 shows the contents of a typical ".FTR" file. In the sample file shown, the data are multiplexed in a different manner from that in a ".DAT" file. Here, all Fourier coefficients from each transform of each channel are kept together; that is, blocks of data for each channel rather than single samples are multiplexed.

2.3 Power Spectrum (.PWR) File Format

A power spectrum tape file is likely to be transferred from tape only if time series analysis was performed on a PDP-11. SEQFFT is the most widely used spectral analysis program on the PDP-11s, and the output of that program conforms to the ".PWR" format. As analysis effort moves to the VAX from the 11s, transfer of this file type is likely to become less common.

The ".PWR" file begins with a 512 byte header [1]. TABLE III gives a brief description of the contents of each location in the ".PWR" header block. Figure 3 shows

INTEGER BLOCK	
ILABEL(1) - Block size	# of 16 bit words/physical block
ILABEL(2) - Record Size	# of words per logical record
ILABEL(3) - # of records	# of data records in file
ILABEL(4) - Repetition rate	# of records per repetition cycle
ILABEL(5) - Number type	Int=1, Flt=2, CmplxI=11oct, CF=12oct
ILABEL(6) - Bytes per number	eg.: I=2, F=4, CI=4, CF=8
ILABEL(7) - # of channels	Must divide evenly into ILABEL(2)
ILABEL(8) - Multiplex length	Word=1, Record=Record size
ILABEL(9) - # accumulations	Normally 1
ILABEL(10) - X-axis	Time=1, Frequency=2
ILABEL(11) - Y-axis	Linear=1, Square=2, Log=4
ILABEL(12) - Sequence #	User assigned, usually increments
ILABEL(13) - Block Scaling	Power of 2 scaling factor
ILABEL(14) - Spare	
ILABEL(15) - Spare	
ILABEL(16) - Spare	
FLOATING-POINT BLOCK	
FLABEL(1) - Sampling freq(Hz)	-ve means heterodyned
FLABEL(2) - Heterodyning freq.	-ve means real heterodyned
FLABEL(3) - Reference level	Calibration factor
FLABEL(4) - Max. magnitude	
FLABEL(5) - Gain correction	1.00343332 for power of 2
FLABEL(6) - Spare	
FLABEL(7) - Spare	
FLABEL(8) - Spare	
BYTE BLOCK	
BLABEL(1) - Channel #	
BLABEL(2) - Gain (dB)	for channel in BLABEL(1)
BLABEL(3) - Channel #	
BLABEL(4) - Gain (dB)	for channel in BLABEL(3)
:	
:	
BLABEL(127) - Channel #	
BLABEL(128) - Gain (dB)	for channel in BLABEL(127)
ASCII BLOCK	
ALABEL(1) - First character of ASCII label block	
:	
:	
ALABEL(320) - Last character of ASCII label block	

Table I: Header contents of a Time Series (.DAT) file

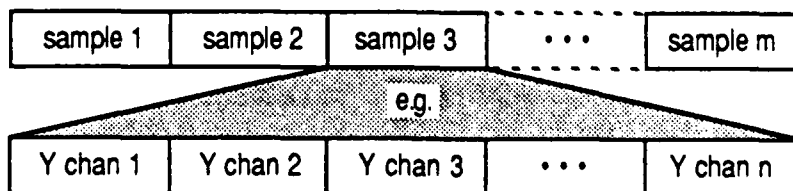


Figure 1: Data format in a typical Time Series (.DAT) file

INTEGER BLOCK	
ILABEL(1)	- Block size # of 16 bit words/physical block
ILABEL(2)	- Record Size # of words per logical record
ILABEL(3)	- # of records # of data records in file
ILABEL(4)	- Number of sequential transforms
ILABEL(5)	- Number type Int=1, Flt=2, CmplxI=11oct, CF=12oct
ILABEL(6)	- Bytes per number eg.: I=2, F=4, CI=4, CF=8
ILABEL(7)	- # of channels Must divide evenly into ILABEL(2)
ILABEL(8)	- # of frequency bins
ILABEL(9)	- # accumulations Normally 1
ILABEL(10)	- X-axis Time=1, Frequency=2
ILABEL(11)	- Y-axis Linear=1, Square=2, Log=4
ILABEL(12)	- Sequence # User assigned, usually increments
ILABEL(13)	- Block scaling Power of 2 scaling factor
ILABEL(14)	- Window type None=1, Hanning=2, Hamming=3, Kaiser=4
ILABEL(15)	- # of zeros
ILABEL(16)	- # of points of overlap
FLOATING-POINT BLOCK	
FLABEL(1)	- Start frequency of first bin (Hz)
FLABEL(2)	- Heterodyning freq. -ve means real heterodyned
FLABEL(3)	- Frequency resolution (Hz)
FLABEL(4)	- Max. magnitude
FLABEL(5)	- Spare
FLABEL(6)	- % overlap
FLABEL(7)	- Time interval of a single FFT (hours)
FLABEL(8)	- Spare
BYTE BLOCK	
BLABEL(1)	- Channel #
BLABEL(2)	- Gain (dB)
BLABEL(3)	- Channel #
BLABEL(4)	- Gain (dB)
.	.
BLABEL(127)	- Channel #
BLABEL(128)	- Gain (dB)
ASCII BLOCK	
ALABEL(1)	- First character of ASCII label block
.	.
ALABEL(320)	- Last character of ASCII label block

Table II: Header contents of a Fourier Coefficient (.FTR) file

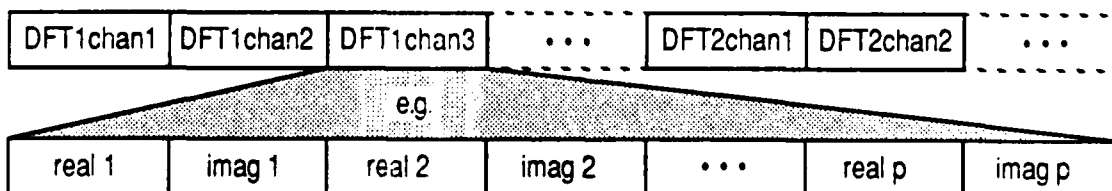


Figure 2: Data format in a typical Fourier Coefficient (.FTR) file

INTEGER BLOCK	
ILABEL(1)	- Block size # of 16 bit words/physical block
ILABEL(2)	- Record Size # of words per logical record
ILABEL(3)	- # of records # of data records in file
ILABEL(4)	- Number of sequential spectral estimates
ILABEL(5)	- Number type Int=1, Flt=2, CmplxI=11oct, CF=12oct
ILABEL(6)	- Bytes per number eg.: I=2, F=4, CI=4, CF=8
ILABEL(7)	- # of channels
ILABEL(8)	- # of frequency bins
ILABEL(9)	- # accumulations Normally 1
ILABEL(10)	- X-axis Time=1, Frequency=2
ILABEL(11)	- Y-axis Linear=1, Square=2, Log=4
ILABEL(12)	- Sequence # User assigned, usually increments
ILABEL(13)	- Spare
ILABEL(14)	- Window type None=1, Hanning=2, Hamming=3, Kaiser=4
ILABEL(15)	- # of zeros
ILABEL(16)	- # of points of overlap

FLOATING-POINT BLOCK	
FLABEL(1)	- Center frequency of first bin (Hz)
FLABEL(2)	- Heterodyning freq. -ve means real heterodyned
FLABEL(3)	- Frequency resolution (Hz)
FLABEL(4)	- Max. magnitude
FLABEL(5)	- Spare
FLABEL(6)	- Time interval between sequential frames (hrs.)
FLABEL(7)	- % overlap
FLABEL(8)	- Spare

BYTE BLOCK	
BLABEL(1)	- Channel #
BLABEL(2)	- Normally 0. gain already compensated for
BLABEL(3)	- Channel #
BLABEL(4)	- Normally 0
...	
BLABEL(127)	- Channel #
BLABEL(128)	- Normally 0

ASCII BLOCK	
ALABEL(1)	- First character of ASCII label block
...	
ALABEL(320)	- Last character of ASCII label block

Table III: Header contents of a Power Spectrum (.PWR) file

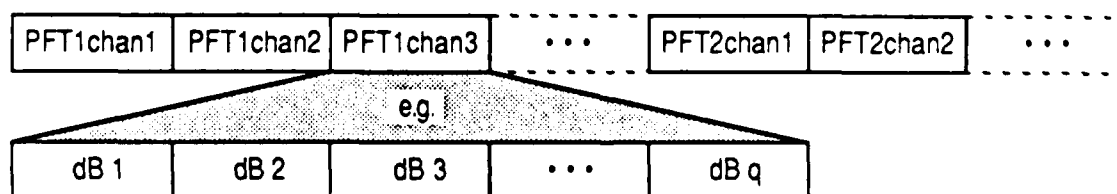


Figure 3: Data format in a typical Power Spectrum (.PWR) file

the contents of a typical ".PWR" file. Multiplexing of the data is similar to that found in ".FTR" files. Here, there are q power points grouped together representing the power in each of q frequency bins for each channel. Power spectrum levels are typically stored as decibels (dB). Once again, different formats for the data storage are acceptable as long as they conform to what is described in the file's header, but the format of Figure 3 is by far the most common.

2.4 VAX and READRT File Formats

Files from TRANSFER are stored on VAX disks in one of two formats. The most common of these is a binary direct access file. This format is compact and allows direct access to any block in the file.

Data files are typically very large, often taking an entire 2400 foot reel of 9 track magnetic tape, so transferring them to disk causes storage problems to appear quickly if several people are doing analysis. For this reason the disk files should be stored in as compact a form as possible.

Random access to any part of the data in a file is also important. A scientist doing time series analysis may be interested in only certain segments of data in a large file, so having to sequentially access each record to get to the desired one would be inefficient. After analysis, display programs (such as PLTPWR) also need random access to the data so that any segment may be displayed rapidly and in any order. The format of the VAX files permits this.

The other format is called READRT after the file transfer program which originally used it. This format is used by some of the older analysis programs, and results in a sequential unformatted file. It does not take a great deal more disk space than the VAX format, but the advantages of random access to data are lost. It is not recommended that this file format be used in future analysis programs.

3. PROGRAM IMPLEMENTATION

This section begins with a description of the program structure and the features available in TRANSFER. Implementation details are then presented, and non-standard practises are discussed more fully.

TRANSFER was written in FORTRAN 77, but is not easily transportable to computers other than VAX and micro-VAX models made by Digital Equipment Corporation due to its extensive use of system calls. (System calls use internals of the VMS operating system directly and are not part of the FORTRAN 77 standard.) The system calls were used to speed up tape and disk access, and to make use of some of the powerful capabilities of the VAX-VMS operating system. On the bright side, however, the program can be run on any of the VAX machines from DEC without modification. TRANSFER can be used from any ANSI standard computer terminal, but works best with a VT100/200 series terminal or emulator.

Subroutines from many sources were used in TRANSFER. Asynchronous disk input/output routines from NRL (the Naval Research Laboratory) in Washington D.C. proved to be very useful in this implementation [3]. Other useful routines from various groups at DREA have been incorporated to avoid duplication of programming effort. Subroutines obtained from outside sources will be noted as such in the following discussion.

3.1 Program Structure

TRANSFER was written in a modular format in order to facilitate modifications and additions. 'User-friendliness' and simplicity of use were major considerations in program design. Flexibility is a keyword for TRANSFER since many input file formats must be accessible to VAX users, and the data in those files should be easy for the user to manipulate. Simplicity of use and a high degree of flexibility are not always compatible, but the attempt has been made to achieve both objectives with TRANSFER.

Even the most efficiently written program can be practically useless if it has a poor user interface. For this reason, considerable effort was put into making the user interface of TRANSFER easy to understand *and* use. The terminal input session has been separated into related modules (for example, one module deals with defining the section of an input file to be transferred into the output file). Each module is presented on a separate screen on the user's terminal, and a heading appears at the top of the screen describing the purpose of the module. Examples of this will be given in a later section.

Program structure is outlined in the flowchart of Figure 4. There are three basic segments - input, processing, and output. Within these segments, subroutine structures were used when possible. These are not noted in the chart, but more detail on some of them will be given in a later section. The loop structure of the program is fairly simple at the flowchart level but became rather difficult to implement because of the differences in input file structures which had to be accommodated. Most of the options available to the user are noted in the chart, and will be discussed in detail in the following sub-section.

3.2 Program Features

Input files for TRANSFER can be located either on magnetic tape or on disk. In the case of tape, ".DAT", ".FTR" and ".PWR" files are accepted, while only VAX format disk input files are accepted. One of the inconveniences of using magnetic tapes is the requirement that the user must remember to **allocate** the tape unit and **mount** the tape (both VMS commands). TRANSFER avoids this by the use of VMS system calls. When the user specifies a tape unit (for example MSB0:) as part of an input filename, TRANSFER tries to allocate that unit and then mount any tape found on it. If the unit is already assigned or the tape cannot be mounted, the user is informed and program execution halts; otherwise the operation is transparent.

The program will not stop executing if it encounters a parity error while reading from a tape file. Parity errors on ".DAT" tape files are a distinct possibility due to the manner in which the PDP-11 data collection programs operate. High speed is the priority for the data collection programs, so no error checking is performed while writing to tape (resulting in the possibility of parity errors). (Error checking uses valuable time and could cause data to be lost in some cases.) When TRANSFER hits a parity error, it rewinds the tape to the last good record of data and substitutes that for the corrupted data. This action could bias the statistics of the output if many parity errors are encountered, but was deemed to be more appropriate than destroying the time synchronization of the file by throwing away data. The user is notified each time a tape parity error is encountered, and a running count of the errors is presented.

TRANSFER allows wildcards to be used to specify a family of input files with similar names (or parts of names) for input from *either* disk or tape. A short description of wildcarding would be appropriate for the uninitiated - it hinges upon the use of a wildcard character (in this case '*'). Filenames are made up of a *name* and an *extension* separated by a period (for example TEST.DAT). The family of files with the name TEST and any

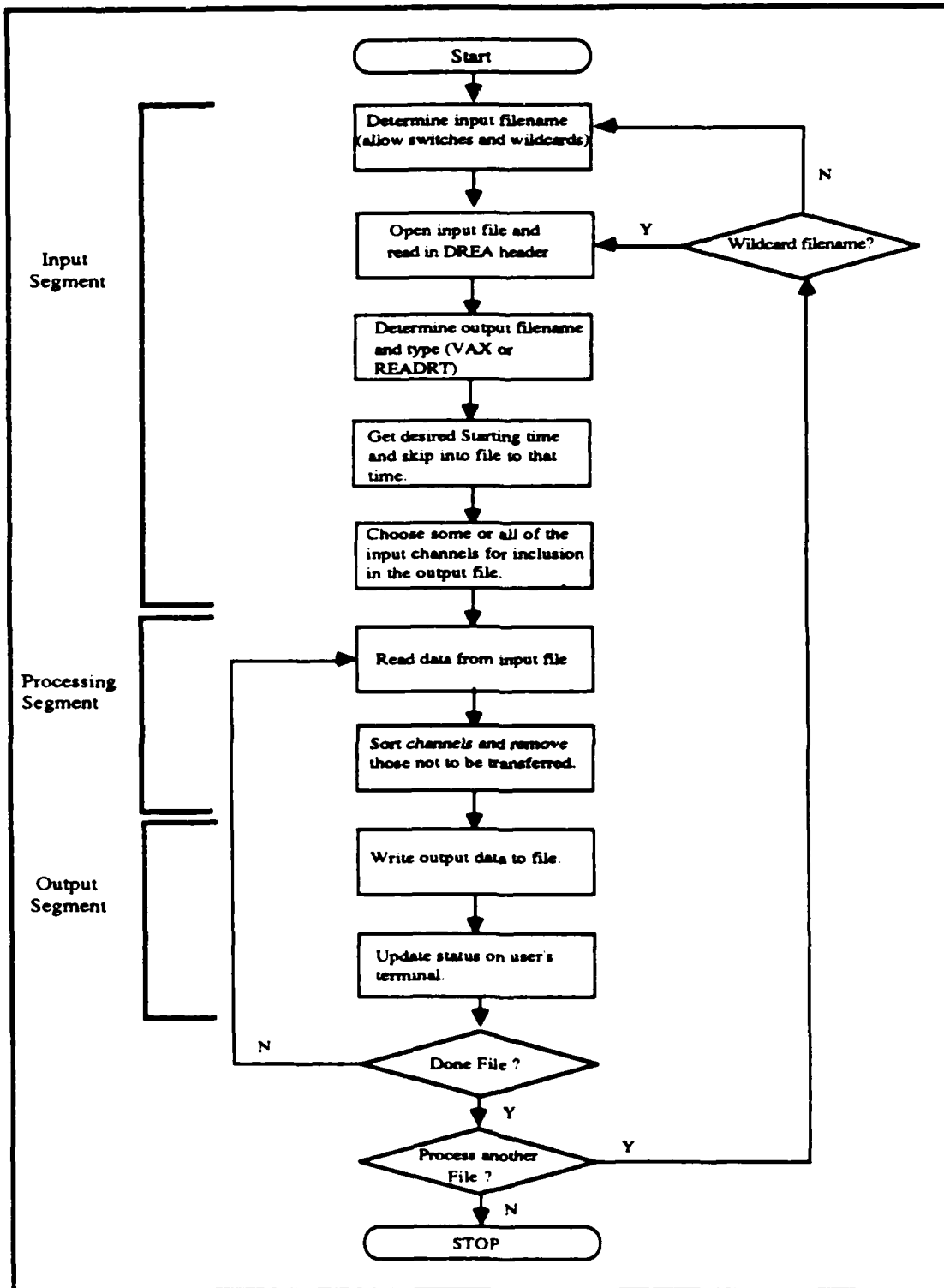


Figure 4: General flowchart for TRANSFER

extension can be specified by typing TEST.*. Similarly all files with the extension ".DAT" can be specified by typing *.DAT. Typing TES*.DAT would specify all files having a name beginning with TES and having the extension ".DAT". When TRANSFER encounters a wildcard in a filename, it finds all files which satisfy the input name set and processes them in sequence. A user can specify a new set of transfer parameters for each input file, or alternatively can set up parameters for only the first file and use those same parameters for all of the other files.

Tape files present other possibilities as well. A user may wish to transfer a number of files from tape without having to specify their names (for example the second through the fifth files on the tape). This option is available to TRANSFER users through an input file switch (switches are only available when using input files on magnetic tape). A switch is used in the following manner: the user types the name of the tape unit upon which the reel is mounted, followed by a slash (/) and a switch parameter. For example, to transfer the first through the fifth files from a tape on unit MSB0:, the user would type MSB0:/START=1/STOP=5 when prompted to enter an input filename. Here the START switch defines the file on tape with which to begin the transfer, and the STOP switch defines the number of the final file which is to be transferred.

There is only one other switch available; that is the /V (or verify) switch. When this switch is included after an input tape filename (for example MSB0:TEST.DAT/V), TRANSFER will ask the user for verification before skipping any file which it encounters on the tape (If the first file found is the one the user specified, it is processed without question). This switch is useful if the user wishes to process the first file on a tape but doesn't know its name. In that case, when TRANSFER asks whether it should skip the file, the user need only give a negative reply and it will be processed. When /V is not used, the entire tape will be scanned for a filename match and no option for processing non-matching files will be presented to the user.

The default filename for files produced by TRANSFER is the same as the input filename with the extension .TFR to indicate that it is output from TRANSFER. The user can supply a different filename and/or extension if desired. Output file format (VAX or READRT) is also selectable.

The case will often arise where only a small portion of an input data file will be used for analysis or display. For this reason, TRANSFER allows the user to choose a segment of the input file for transfer. A user-selected segment is always defined by its start time. The time at which recording for a file began is included in the DREA header. This time is displayed for the user, who can then specify the time at which the desired segment of data begins. TRANSFER will then skip into the file to the desired time (a rather complex process, since the time and number of records to be skipped depend upon the type of file being transferred[†]). When the file has been positioned to the desired start-time, the user is given the option of specifying the segment length as a number of blocks (512 bytes/block), a time duration, or the remainder of the file. Thus a user has great control over the data transferred to the output disk file.

[†]For example, .FTR and .PWR files have a time resolution which is determined by the FFT length used in producing the file. For 2kHz samples and an 8K FFT, each set of Fourier coefficients covers a 4 s time interval. Due to the construction of the files, a time resolution of less than 4 s would be impossible in this case. In this situation, the actual start time is the accessible time closest to (but not less than) that requested by the user.

Full control over the channels to be put into the output file is also a necessity. Channel numbers which were used in data recording are entered in the byte section of the DREA header and so are available during TRANSFER operation. The user can select any subset (or all) of the channels in the original input file for transfer into a VAX file. The header of the new file thus created will be modified to include only channel numbers of those channels presently in the file. This capability is useful in reducing the amount of data stored on disk since non-acoustic channels or channels known to contain corrupted data need not be transferred to disk.

During operation, TRANSFER provides feedback to a status screen on the user's terminal. This screen gives information on the parameters set up for the file transfer and on the progress of the transfer.

3.3 Implementation Details

This section presents a more detailed look at the structure of TRANSFER. Each major segment of the program is shown in a flowchart indicating which operations are carried out in the main program, and which of them are carried out in subroutines.

Figure 5 shows the file selection segment of the program. Wildcarding and switches are implemented in this segment. The user is first prompted for a filename, and then the name is processed to check for switches. If switches are present, they are decoded and the proper flags set for later processing. If a wildcard character appears, a flag is set for tape processing, or a check of the appropriate directory is performed and all matching names extracted for disk file processing.

Once the input name has been processed, the first file which matches all criteria is found and opened (not necessarily an easy task when using magnetic tape). If the file opening was successful, the DREA header is read into a buffer for use in setting up the transfer parameters. System calls are used for all of the magnetic tape operations in the interests of speed. Disk operations are done using a set of subroutines obtained from the Naval Research Laboratory. These allow asynchronous operations (ie. computations can carry on while data are being read from the input file) and are written in VAX-MACRO, so they offer a speed advantage over pure FORTRAN calls.

When a file has been properly opened, the user is prompted for an output filename. A default (described in the preceding section) is presented, but this can be changed to anything the user wants. If wildcard files are used, the user is given the option of specifying transfer parameters separately for each file or of using the transfer parameters set for the first file for all of the others. Output format (VAX or READRT) is then chosen, and the output file is opened.

The flowchart shown in Figure 6 gives more detail of the structure in the processing and data output sections of TRANSFER. The information contained in the DREA header is used heavily in this segment of the program. Parameters such as record size, the multiplexing type and the number of channels are used to determine the the number of blocks which must be skipped to get to the desired point in the input file. TRANSFER works with "frames" of data. A "frame" is defined as the smallest amount of data which can be read from the input file which gives a full set of input data for each channel in the file. A full set of data can vary from a single time sample in a ".DAT" file to a number of points defined by the FFT length used for processing in a ".FTR" or ".PWR" file. This length is also determined by the type of multiplexing used in the file (see Figures 1, 2 and 3). As well, a "frame" defines the minimum time unit which can be accessed by TRANSFER.

The subroutine which is used to skip to the desired time in the input file and to define the segment length for transfer makes extensive use of VMS system calls when tape is being used as the input medium. Because of the random access nature of VAX format disk files, picking the correct starting time is as simple as addressing the proper block when the input file is on disk. Some subroutines written by D. Peters and L. Bunch (both DREA summer research assistants) were incorporated in this routine to improve the user interface.

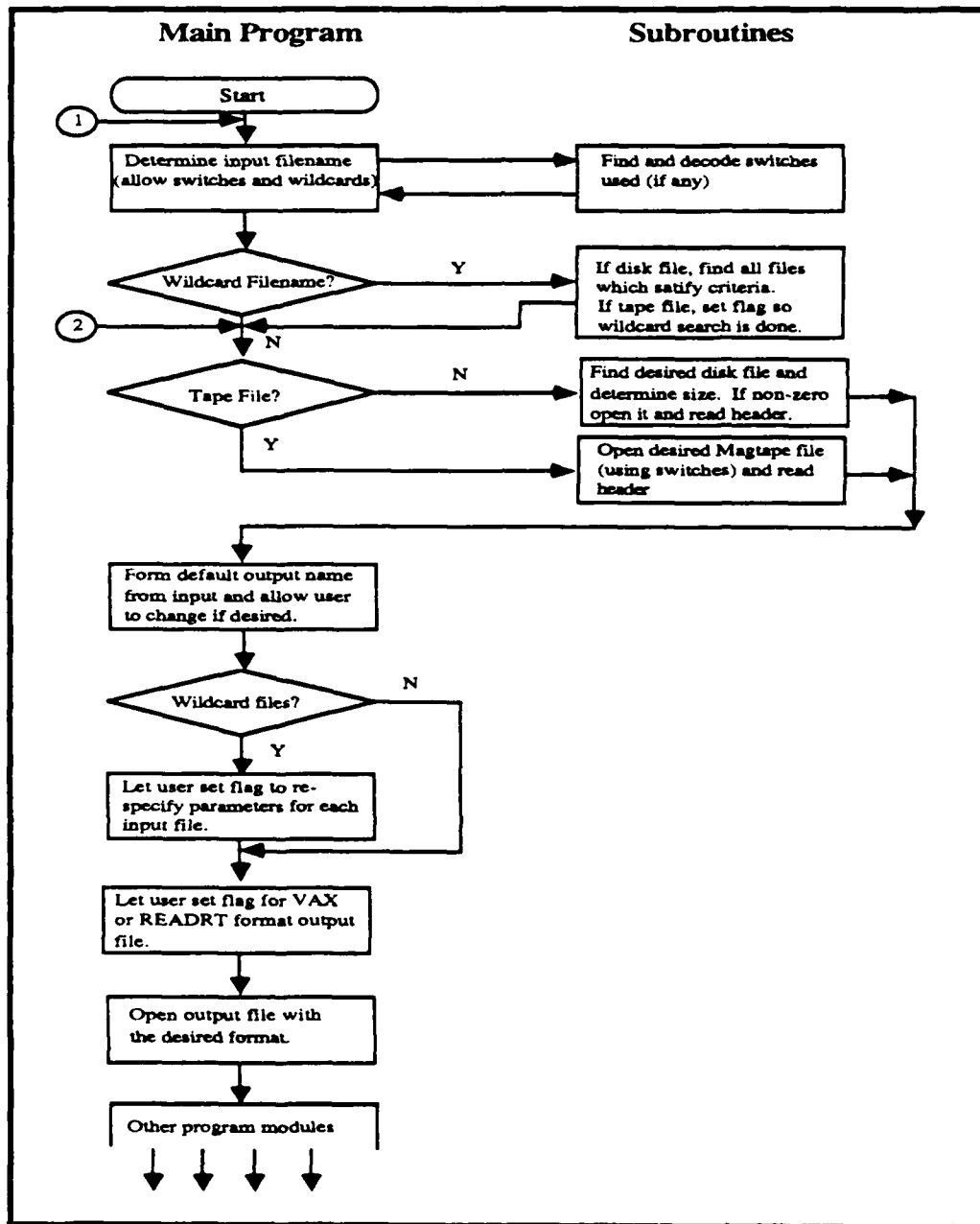


Figure 5: Details of File Selection Segment of TRANSFER

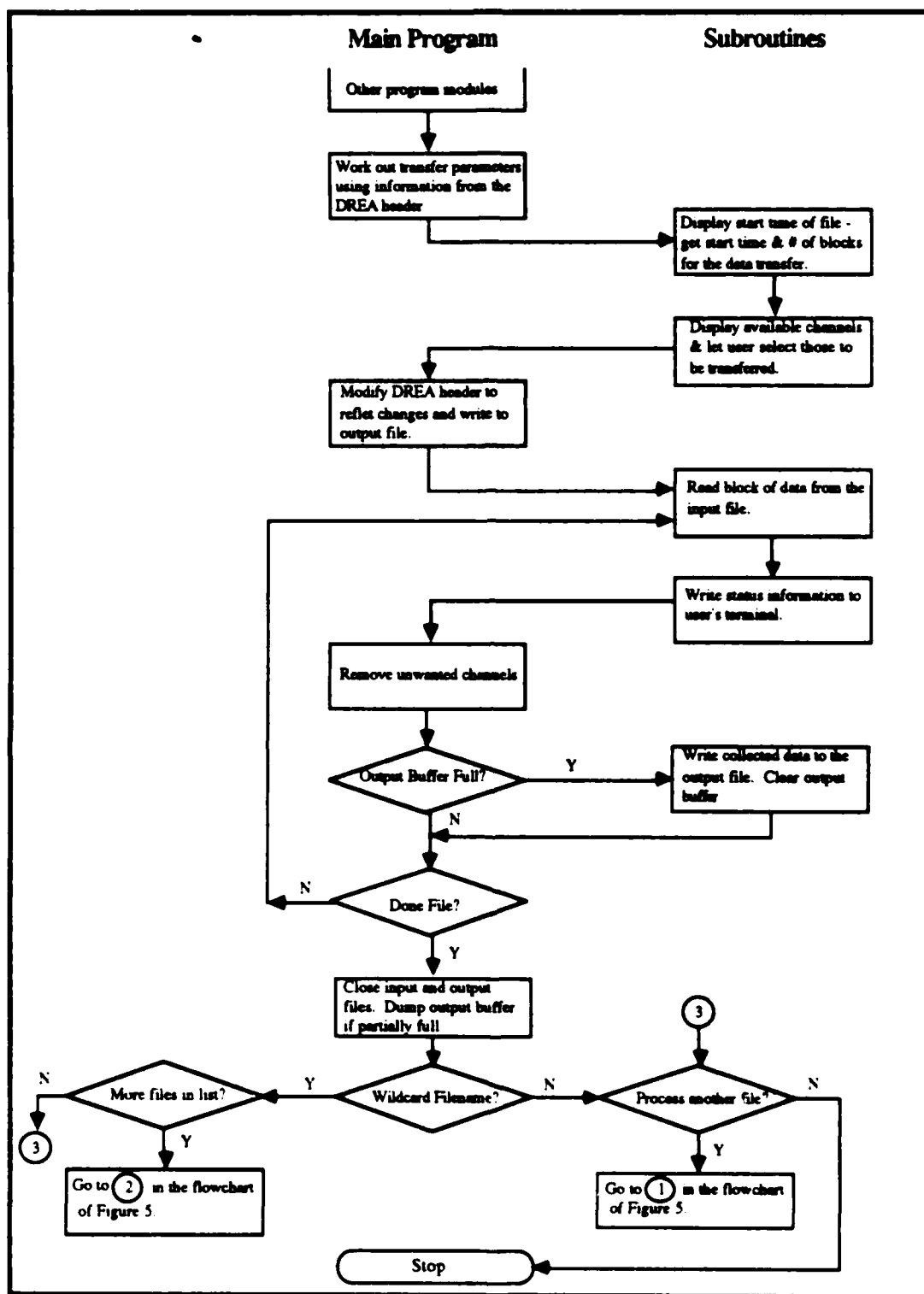


Figure 6: Details of processing in TRANSFER

Determining which channels are to be processed is simple enough if a single file is being used as input. If a wildcard file set has been chosen, the process becomes more difficult. Channels can be selected by "number", that is by their standing in the order in which they were put into the file (first, second, etc. in the multiplexing hierarchy), or by the hydrophone channel which they represent (included in the byte label of the DREA header). For example, the "first" channel recorded in a ".DAT" file may actually correspond to the time series for hydrophone channel #20. The user has the option of using the same parameters for each input file in a wildcard set, and so must decide whether to key on channel numbers or hydrophone numbers. While such a set is being processed, it is possible that channels will occur in a different order in some of the files. The headers of the output files will reflect this, but it is often better to key on hydrophone numbers in such situations. If a chosen hydrophone does not exist in one of the input files, the user is notified during execution and allowed to change the selection.

Once channels have been selected, the DREA header is modified accordingly and written into the output file. At this point the data transfer can begin. Enough blocks are read from the input file to give at least one "frame" of data. If some channels are not being transferred, these are then removed from the input buffer. It is most efficient to write large segments of data to disk, so input blocks are processed until a relatively large output buffer is filled or the input file is finished. The collected (perhaps reduced) data are then written to the output disk file using the DBIO routines from NRL (for a VAX format file) or FORTRAN write statements (for a READRT file).

Once a file is completed, input and output files are closed before proceeding. If wildcard files have been selected, a check is made for further matches and if any are found, the next matching file is processed. (The user may or may not be prompted for transfer parameters for files after the first, depending on the option chosen.) If wildcard files are not being processed, or no more wildcard matches are found, the user is asked if more files are to be processed. At this point, the program can be exited or a new run started.

4. HOW TO USE THE PROGRAM

A sample terminal session will be presented in this section. "Snapshots" of the user's terminal screen will be used to illustrate the user interface and provide information on running the program.

The executable version of TRANSFER is located in the directory SAS:[FARRELL.TRANSFER] (soon to be moved to DREAPACS:[TRANSFER]). To start the program, the user must type **RUN SAS:[FARRELL.TRANSFER]TRANSFER.**

The following scenario is presented as an example. A user has a mag-tape (produced by a PDP-11 data recording program) containing time series data which are to be transferred to the VAX. He believes the filename to be **ZZZ003.DAT**, but is unsure of the extension. He does, however, know that the file begins at 10:33:41 and that data from 32 channels are recorded in the file. Ten seconds of data beginning at 10:33:50 and 4 channels out of 32 in the data file, namely 2, 11, 18 and 23 are to be transferred. TRANSFER is started using the command mentioned in the preceding paragraph, and then an input session begins.

In the following figures, a header categorizing the parameters to be input appears at the top of each input screen (boldface type). After every prompt, the default value is presented in brackets. To accept the default value, the user need only enter a carriage return. Help can be obtained after any prompt by typing a "?" followed by a carriage

return. User-entered responses appear in boldface type (after a prompt, so there should be no confusion with the screen headers). Some prompts appear only under special circumstances (when a wildcard file input set is being used, for example), and these are shown in italics when they would not otherwise appear in the example being presented.

The first screen which appears once TRANSFER begins execution is shown in Figure 7. Here the user sets up the input and output file specifications.

File Setup

Enter name for the input datafile. (MSB0:Q38334.DAT?) ? ? ↵
 File name: UNIT or STRUCTURE:NAME.EXTENSION
 Enter name for the input datafile. (MSB0:Q38334.DAT ?) ? **MSA0:DUMMY.DAT/V** ↵

%MOUNT-I-WRITELOCK, volume is write locked
 %MOUNT-I-MOUNTED, RT11A mounted on _MSA0:

Found file: **ZZZ003.DAT**
 Want to pass over this file?(-1=y/0=only/1=no/2=rewind) (-1?) ? **1** ↵

Default output file extension is TFR - Change it? (N?) ?
Enter the new default file extension. (TFR?) ?
Re-specify output parameters for each input file? (N?) ?

Enter a name for the Disk output file. (**ZZZ003.TFR**?) ? ↵
 Should the output file be Vax (V) or READRT (R) format? (V?) ? **V** ↵

NOTE: ↵ signifies a carriage return.

Figure 7: First Input Screen of TRANSFER

To demonstrate the use of the "help" feature, a "?" was entered in response to the prompt asking for an input filename. The help field shows that the name format is UNIT:NAME.EXTENSION, and the prompt is then repeated. The unit or directory must be the first entry in the file specification - if no unit or directory is specified, the current directory on disk is used as a default. In the example, the tape containing the data is mounted on unit **MSA0**. The user doesn't know the name of the file to be transferred, so a dummy name has been entered along with the /V switch (this means that the program will ask before skipping any file). Messages from the system following the filename entry show that the tape has been successfully mounted on the requested unit and that the tape is write locked (ie no data can be written to it - the safest policy with data tapes).

The /V switch causes the name of the first file found (**ZZZ003.DAT**) to be displayed. The user then has several options. If a -1 is entered, the file will be skipped and the search for **DUMMY.DAT** will continue. Entering 0 will cause **ZZZ003.DAT** to be skipped and the next file found to be processed. Entering 1 will cause **ZZZ003.DAT** to be chosen as the input file, and entering 2 will rewind the tape and begin searching from the start of the tape again. The default is to skip the file, but in this case, the user has chosen to process it by entering a 1.

Next, a name for the output disk file must be specified. The default filename is the same as the input filename with the extension .TFR, and in this case, the user has chosen to

go with the default by entering only a carriage return. (If wildcard input filespecs had been used, the user would have been prompted to determine if the .TFR file extension should be used for all output files. At that point, a new extension could have been specified which would appear on all output files from the wildcard set. The option to re-specify output parameters for each input file would also have been presented if a wildcard set had been chosen.) Finally, the output file type must be chosen. Here, the user has chosen VAX format (described earlier) and entered a V followed by a carriage return (a carriage return would have been enough since V is the default, but entering V does no harm).

The next screen to appear deals with selecting a file segment to be transferred and is shown in Figure 8. At the top of the screen, the start time of the chosen file is displayed. The user is then given the option to start the transfer at a later time in the file (default is to start at the beginning). Here, the user asks to start the transfer at 10:33:50. TRANSFER skips into the file to the desired point (or the nearest accessible time greater than that requested - constrained by the input file format). The user is notified of the start time which the program is actually using and of the number of blocks being skipped. The next prompt allows the user to set the amount of data to be transferred. The user has three options; n (where n is some number) will transfer n 512 byte blocks (to the nearest "frame") into the output file; -1 will transfer all data from the specified starting position (time) to the end of the input file into the output file; and -2 will allow the user to specify a time interval for transfer. In this example, the user has chosen to transfer by time interval. Time is specified in the HH:MM:SS format, and in the example, the user has asked for 10 seconds worth of data to be put into the output file. (If a wildcard file set had been specified for input, the user would, at this time, be asked to decide whether to transfer the same channel set or hydrophone set for each input-output file pair. This choice doesn't deal with "data segment specification", but was placed on this screen due to program structure constraints. The prompt appears in italics as wildcards are not being used here.)

Data Segment Specification

This file starts at 10:33:41

Do you want to begin processing at some other time (N?) ? **Y** ↩

Enter the time at which you wish to start (10:33:41?) ? **10:33:50** ↩

Actual start time will be 10:33:50
144 physical blocks will be skipped.

Enter n to X-fer n blocks, -1 for all, -2 to specify time (-1?) ? **-2** ↩

Enter the length of time of the transfer (00:01:00?) ? **00:00:10** ↩

Select the same H P (Y) or channels (N) from each file ? (Y?) ?

Figure 8: Second Input Screen for TRANSFER

Once a file segment has been defined, a channel set-up screen appears (shown in Figure 9). The total number of channels in the input file (including non-acoustic channels) is displayed, followed by a list of the acoustic channels and their corresponding hydrophone numbers (from the byte part of the DREA header). From these, the user

selects which channels are to be transferred into the output file. The number of channels to be transferred is specified first (-1 will transfer all channels - including non-acoustic ones - to the output file), and then the channels (not hydrophone numbers) are selected. The selected channels can be separated by spaces or commas. This concludes the input session as TRANSFER has all the parameters needed for execution.

Channel Setup

There are 32 channels in the input file.

The following are acoustic channels:

1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9,10,11,12,13,14,15,16,17,18,19,20,21,22,23,24,25,26,
27,28,29,30,31,32

The corresponding H/P numbers are:

1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9,10,11,12,13,14,15,16,17,18,19,20,21,22,23,24,25,26,
27,28,29,30,31,32

How many channels do you want to process? (-1 for all) (-1 ?) ? 4 ↵

Enter the channels you wish to study : 2 11 18 23 ↵

Figure 9: Third Input Screen for TRANSFER

Once data transfer has begun, program status is continuously updated on the terminal screen. The status screen (shown in Figure 10) can be divided into three segments. (Note that parameters which depend on choices the user makes during the input phase of the program appear in boldface type in the Figure.) The first of these segments displays the current time and date and is updated as the program executes.

The second segment is static and gives information on the input and output files. Part of the ASCII label is shown to give some indication of the origins of the file. Below this label, the names and start times for the input and output files are displayed. The number of frames requested for transfer to the output file is also shown. If all blocks from the specified start time to the end of the input file are to be transferred, the number of frames to be transferred is shown as "TO EOF" which stands for **To End Of File** (Note that this is shown in the sample screen of Figure 10 - which came from a different run of TRANSFER with the same input file). The total number (including non-acoustic) of channels in the input file and the number being transferred are shown, along with their channel numbers and hydrophone numbers (acoustic channels).

The third segment is dynamic and updates as the program executes. The number of frames processed is shown along with the average time taken to sort and transfer each frame to the output file. In the sample screen shown, 100 blocks have been processed, and the average time (clock time) per frame overall has been .02 seconds. A running count of parity errors during tape reads, is given below the "average time per frame" block if any errors occur.

When all data have been transferred to the output file, the user can request that another file be transferred. In this case, the program starts again with the first input screen. If a wildcard set was specified as input and the same transfer parameters were to be used for each file, the next transfer will proceed automatically. If transfer parameters were to be

specified for each file in a wildcard set, the user goes through all input screens except the first for each file. If a tape file was used as input, the tape will be dismounted and rewound automatically when execution of the program finishes.

FILE TRANSFER STATISTICS	
4-DEC-1986 11:50:00	

ASCII Label: 32 CHANNELS REAL	
Input File: MSA0:ZZZ003.DAT	Output File: ZZZ003.TFR
Starts at: 10:33:41	Starts at: 10:33:50
Number of frames requested: TO EOF	
Channel usage: 4 chosen out of 32 total	
Channels: 2,11,18,23	
Acoustic Channels: 2,11,18,23	
Number of Blocks processed: 100	
Average time per frame: .02 sec	

Figure 10: Program Status Screen

Appendix A gives a list of all prompts which can appear during transfer execution, along with the 'help' string for each. As well, full descriptions of prompts which have not been discussed fully in the text are given. Messages which appear on the screen when an event requiring user attention occurs during TRANSFER execution are also listed and explained in the Appendix.

For completeness, a listing of TRANSFER and its major subroutines is included in Appendix B. Some of the VMS system calls are unavoidably confusing; however the programs are fully commented, so no further description will be given in the main body of this document.

5 FUTURE DEVELOPMENTS

Currently, output files cannot be written to magnetic tape. This feature would be useful, since no tool for reducing the size of data files exists on the PDP-11s (PDP-11 users have the same need for this functionality as VAX users). Squeezing several ".DAT" files onto a single mag-tape would be another use for a tape-output feature (no tool exists for doing this on the VAXen at present). Such a modification requires a module for PDP-11 format tape output (currently being developed by G. Heard at DREA). Once the module is obtained, the upgrade should take relatively little time.

Transfer of other file formats would also be desirable (for example READRT to VAX conversion), and will be implemented if enough user interest is shown. A generic

transfer option (block-for-block copy of an input mag-tape file to VAX disk) is being developed and should prove useful for non-DREA generated tapes.

6 CONCLUSIONS AND ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

This note has described a robust file transfer program for the VAX computer. The program allows transfer of PDP-11 format magnetic tape files (and VAX disk files) to VAX disk files which are formatted properly for use by the Surveillance Acoustics section suite of signal processing and display programs. Data manipulation tools which allow selected channels and data segments to be transferred are available within the program, making it a versatile tool for pre-analysis data preparation.

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A - DETAILS OF USER PROMPTS - INTRODUCTION

Appendix A1 lists all of the prompts which can appear on the user's screen during TRANSFER execution and gives a brief description of each. The help available for each prompt is also listed. Appendix A2 lists messages which appear on the screen when an event occurs during TRANSFER execution which requires attention or should be noted by the user.

A1 - Alphabetical Listing of Prompts

- | | |
|-----------------|--|
| PROMPT: | Default output file extension is .TFR - change it? |
| HELP: | All output files will have the specified extension. |
| DETAILS: | Allows the user to change the default file extension which will be used when processing wildcard input file sets. If parameters are not being changed for each file in the set, output filenames will be the same as the input filenames, but with the default extension substituted for the original. |
| PROMPT: | Do you want to begin processing at some other time? |
| HELP: | Default is to start at the time shown. |
| DETAILS: | Appears when the start time of the input file is displayed. The user can start the output file at the same time, or modify the start time for output by responding "Y" to this prompt. |
| PROMPT: | Do you want to process another file? |
| HELP: | Default is to exit the program. |
| DETAILS: | Allows processing to continue when the current input file (or set) has been completed. |
| PROMPT: | Enter a name for the disk output file. |
| HELP: | Default will be the same as the input name with the extension .TFR. |
| DETAILS: | Defines a file where the output will be dumped. |
| PROMPT: | Enter n to X-fer n blocks, -1 for all, -2 to specify time. |
| HELP: | -2 will let you enter a time interval for the transfer. |
| DETAILS: | Defines the segment of data to be transferred. Data will start at the specified start time and have an extent specified by the response to this prompt. |
| PROMPT: | Enter name for the input data file. |
| HELP: | File name: UNIT or STRUCTURE:NAME.EXTENSION |
| DETAILS: | Defines a file (can be a wildcard file set and have switches included in the filename) where the input data are to be found. |
| PROMPT: | Enter the channels you wish to study. |
| HELP: | No help appears for this prompt. |
| DETAILS: | Allows input of a vector of channel #s which are to be transferred. This prompt appears after the number of channels to transfer has been established and a list of the available channels has been displayed. |
| PROMPT: | Enter the length of time of the transfer. |
| HELP: | Format is HH:MM:SS. |
| DETAILS: | The user must enter the time extent of the data segment to be transferred from the input to the output file. |

PROMPT: Enter the new default file extension.
HELP: Typically three letters long (leave out the ".").
DETAILS: Allows a new default file extension to be set. Appears after the prompt allowing the user to decide whether or not to keep the .TFR extension.

PROMPT: Enter the time at which you wish to start.
HELP: Format is HH:MM:SS.
DETAILS: Set a new start time for the output file. The prompt appears after the user requests a transfer start time other than the start time of the input file.

PROMPT: How many channels do you want to process? (-1 for all)
HELP: Enter the number of channels to process.
DETAILS: Lets the user select from the channels available in the input file.

PROMPT: Proceed using the subset of requested phones found?
HELP: Re-specify H/P or skip this file if the reply is N.
DETAILS: Prompt appears when the required H/P set is not found in a wildcard file. Execution can continue with the subset of H/P found in the file. Alternatively, the user can modify the H/P set or skip the file and proceed to the next one in the set.

PROMPT: Re-specify output parameters for each input file?
HELP: Else use the default output file name & specs.
DETAILS: An option used for wildcard input file sets. If the user replies "N" the parameters entered for the first file in the set will be used for all of the others, and the output filenames will be the input names with the default extension. If the user replies "Y" all prompts will appear for each input file in the set.

PROMPT: Select the same H/P (Y) or channels (N) from each file?
HELP: Default will select the same H/P from each input file.
DETAILS: Used in conjunction with wildcard file sets when transfer parameters are not being changed for each file in the set. Either H/P or channels will be kept the same for each output file.

PROMPT: Should the output be VAX (V) or READRT (R) format?
HELP: (V) format compatible with DISPVAX, SASPEC, etc.
DETAILS: Sets the format of the output data file.

PROMPT: Skip to the next file in the input set?
HELP: Otherwise use this file with reduced # of chans.
DETAILS: Prompt appears (when channels are being kept the same in a wildcard set) when channels differ from those expected in the file set. The user can proceed with a transfer of the reduced number of channels, or skip to the next file.

PROMPT: Type 1 to take closest record start, 2 to re-specify time.
HELP: Closest may be earlier or later than the chosen time.
DETAILS: Appears when the user has requested the transfer of a number of blocks which doesn't result in an integral number of data frames in the output file.

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PROMPT: Want to pass over this file? (-1=y/0=only/1=no/2=rewind)
HELP: -1=pass file&look at next/0=correct/1=use file/2=rewind.
DETAILS: Used in conjunction with the /V switch for skipping files on mag-tape. The user can: (-1) continue searching for an exact match for the input filename, (0) skip to the next file and process it, (1) process the file found or (2) rewind the tape and then continue the search.

A2 - User Messages From TRANSFER (Grouped By Subroutine)

A2.1 Messages from TRANSFER main program

MESSAGE: Stop *** fatal -- input file is empty.
SOURCE: TRANSFER main program.
CAUSE: Appears when the user tries to open an input disk file which contains no data.

MESSAGE: Dismounting Tape.
SOURCE: TRANSFER main program.
CAUSE: Tape input was completed or end of tape was reached.

A2.2 Messages from subroutine Check

MESSAGE: Error in system call at position ***.
SOURCE: Subroutine CHECK.
CAUSE: An error condition resulted during a VMS system call.

A2.3 Messages from subroutine MTFILE

MESSAGE: Stop *** All files processed.
SOURCE: Subroutine MTFILE.
CAUSE: All files from a mag-tape /START /STOP set have been processed.

MESSAGE: End of tape encountered - rewinding.
SOURCE: Subroutine MTFILE.
CAUSE: Reached the end of a mag-tape being used for input.

MESSAGE: Skipping to next file.
SOURCE: Subroutine MTFILE.
CAUSE: A file with a name different than the input filename was found and is being skipped (either because the user requested it or because the /V switch was not used).

MESSAGE: File **** found.
SOURCE: Subroutine MTFILE.
CAUSE: Found a file which matches the input filespec.

MESSAGE: Found file ****.
SOURCE: Subroutine MTFILE.
CAUSE: Appears for every file found when the /V switch is used in the input filespec.

MESSAGE: Assume you want to skip to the next file.
SOURCE: Subroutine MTFILE.
CAUSE: Appears when the user responds ambiguously to the prompt asking whether or not to skip the file found.

A2.4 Messages from subroutine GETTAP

MESSAGE: Tape is already mounted - assuming you did it.
SOURCE: Subroutine GETTAP.
CAUSE: A mount request has been issued for a tape unit that was already mounted.

MESSAGE: Error - device probably allocated to another user.
SOURCE: Subroutine GETTAP.
CAUSE: Failure in a request to allocate a tape unit to the TRANSFER job.

MESSAGE: Device already allocated to you.
SOURCE: Subroutine GETTAP.
CAUSE: Routine tried to allocate a tape unit already allocated to the user.

A2.5 Messages from subroutine Channel_Select

MESSAGE: Channel Select - no acoustic data found in file.
SOURCE: Subroutine Channel_Select.
CAUSE: The byte label of the DREA header indicated that there were no acoustic channels present in the file.

MESSAGE: Working on file ***.
SOURCE: Subroutine Channel_Select.
CAUSE: Informs the user of the current file being processed in a wildcard file set.

MESSAGE: The H/P available differ from the originals.
SOURCE: Subroutine Channel_Select.
CAUSE: One or more of the requested hydrophone channels is not present in the wildcard file being processed.

MESSAGE: You are keying on channels rather than phones, so I am proceeding.
SOURCE: Subroutine Channel_select.
CAUSE: Hydrophone numbers have changed in a wildcard file-set but the user is keying on channels rather than phones, so this serves as a warning.

MESSAGE: You asked for a channel not found in the input file.
SOURCE: Subroutine Channel_Select.
CAUSE: User is keying on channels, and one (or more) of the required ones was not found in the current wildcard input file.

MESSAGE: Proceeding with reduced # of channels.
SOURCE: Subroutine Channel_Select.
CAUSE: User has chosen to process a file, even though it doesn't contain all of the files originally asked for.

MESSAGE: There are ## channels in the input file.
SOURCE: Subroutine Channel_Select.
CAUSE: Informs the user of the number of channels available.

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MESSAGE: The following are acoustic channels.
SOURCE: Subroutine Channel_Select.
CAUSE: Informs the user of the acoustic channels in the input file.

MESSAGE: The corresponding H/P numbers are:
SOURCE: Subroutine Channel_Select.
CAUSE: Informs the user of hydrophone numbers corresponding to channel numbers.

MESSAGE: Channel Select - sorry no default.
SOURCE: Subroutine Channel_Select.
CAUSE: The user selected no channels for transfer to the output file.

A2.6 Messages from subroutine Skipper

MESSAGE: This file starts at : HH:MM:SS.
SOURCE: Subroutine Skipper.
CAUSE: Informs the user of the start time of the current input file.

MESSAGE: Actual start time will be HH:MM:SS.
SOURCE: Subroutine Skipper.
CAUSE: Informs the user of the actual start time of the output data file. May be different from the requested time due to data frame size in the input file.

MESSAGE: Disk start block will be: ###.
SOURCE: Subroutine Skipper.
CAUSE: Informs the user of the start block number of the input disk transfer.

MESSAGE: ### physical blocks will be skipped.
SOURCE: Subroutine Skipper.
CAUSE: Informs the user of the blocks to be skipped on tape.

MESSAGE: You specified a zero-length transfer - try again.
SOURCE: Subroutine Skipper.
CAUSE: User specified a transfer time less than the frame time of the input file.

MESSAGE: WARNING - you are trying to transfer 0 blocks - try again.
SOURCE: Subroutine Skipper.
CAUSE: User specified a number of blocks less than the number of blocks in a data frame.

MESSAGE: Transfer time must be at least: HH:MM:SS.
SOURCE: Subroutine Skipper.
CAUSE: Informs the user of the minimum time which can be specified for a transfer.

MESSAGE: You are not using an integral number of records.
SOURCE: Subroutine Skipper.
CAUSE: User tried to transfer data which did not fit into an integral number of frames.

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A2.7 Messages from subroutine Disk_Wildcard

MESSAGE: No more files match the input spec.
SOURCE: Subroutine Disk_Wildcard.
CAUSE: All files matching a wildcard specification have been found.

A2.8 Messages from subroutine Reader

MESSAGE: Error reading record!! Error count = ##.
SOURCE: Subroutine Reader.
CAUSE: Routine encountered a parity error on tape and successfully passed it.

MESSAGE: End of file encountered.
SOURCE: Subroutine Reader.
CAUSE: End of an input file was encountered during a read.

MESSAGE: Saving ### frames and exiting.
SOURCE: Subroutine Reader.
CAUSE: Informs the user how many data frames are being stored after an end of file was encountered during a read.

MESSAGE: Read puts us past EOF - blocks to read ###.
SOURCE: Subroutine Reader.
CAUSE: Disk read would go past EOF.

MESSAGE: New blocks to read - ###.
SOURCE: Subroutine Reader.
CAUSE: Informs user of the number of blocks which will be read from a disk file when a full read would go past the EOF.

MESSAGE: Error encountered on disk read - saving what I can and exiting.
SOURCE: Subroutine Reader.
CAUSE: Informs the user that an error occurred during a disk read.

B - PROGRAM LISTING - INTRODUCTION

This Appendix contains listings of the TRANSFER program and its major subroutines. The casual user is unlikely to find these listings useful, however those writing programs for accessing PDP-11 tape files should be able to glean some information. The programs are commented fully, and most operations other than system calls should be easy to interpret. Print size has been reduced to conserve space.

B1 - Listing of the TRANSFER Main Program

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.....
PROGRAM NAME: TRANSFER
.....

Written by:
Joseph B. Farrell
DREA
21 Jan. 1986

Latest revision: 7 Aug. 1986

This program accepts a filename, opens that file on an RT-11
mag tape (or VAX disk file in standard 'PDP11S' format) and reads in the
DREA standard header. The user can then choose some or all of the input
channels to be written into an output disk file (in standard 'PDP11S'
format or in the old 'READRT' format). The tape unit does not need to
be mounted or allocated before the program is run.
The program was written to replace and expand on the functionality of
the READRT program written by Ken Hahn of ASP.

SUBROUTINE CALLS:
1) ERASE_SCREEN= Clears the screen on the user's terminal.
2) VTMESS      = Puts a message on the user's terminal.
3) INPUTS      = Reads a string from user's terminal.
4) SYSSASSIGN  = Subroutine to assign a channel.
5) LIBSSTOP    = Stops program execution on error.
6) SYSSQIOW    = Queued input-output from a channel.
7) CHECK       = Checks the status buffer after a QIO.
8) GETYN       = Gets a Yes or No response from the user.
9) DBOPEN(C)   = Opens (creates) a disk file.
10) DBSIZE     = Determines the size of a disk file.
11) DBREAD     = Reads data from a disk file.
12) DBWAIT     = Waits for disk operation to complete.
13) DBMUTE     = Turns off error reporting from DBMT routines.
14) SKIPPER    = Skips into a file to a specified time.
15) Channel_select = Chooses channels to process.
16) Write_header = Writes header to the output file.
17) INPUTY     = Reads an integer from the user.
18) DBWRITE    = Writes data to a disk file.
19) DBCLOSE    = Closes disk files.
20) SET_CURSOR = Moves the cursor to a specified location.

.....
MAIN CODE
.....
PROGRAM TRANSFER
.....
Parameter and internal variable declarations.
.....
IMPLICIT INTEGER*4 (a-z)
INCLUDE '($dmtdef)'
PARAMETER MSG=5
PARAMETER (SSSENDOTAPE='878'X)

BYTE          blabel(128)          !Byte part of DREA header
BYTE          store_blabel(128)     !Temp. store for byte label
BYTE          EOT_search(10)        !Checks for end of tape
BYTE          output_data(10240)     !Output data
BYTE          raw_byte_data(50000)   !Raw input data
BYTE          raw_header(512)        !Raw header data

CHARACTER      a_label*320           !ASCII part of DREA header
CHARACTER      default_extension*64 !Default file extension
CHARACTER      chan*6                !Used in mag tape channel
CHARACTER      default*1             !User input default
CHARACTER      ifile*64              !Input filename
CHARACTER      newtime*8             !Start time for processing
CHARACTER      oldtime*8             !Start time of input data
CHARACTER      ofile*64              !Output filename

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CHARACTER	otype	Flag for output file type
CHARACTER	tape_mark(10)	Checks tape marks
CHARACTER	tape_name(10)	Header filename
CHARACTER	wfile*64	Working filename
INTEGER*4	blocks_from_input	Blocks to read from file
INTEGER*4	bytes_per_block	Determined by input file
INTEGER*2	file_type	Input filetype (.DAT, etc.)
INTEGER*2	hydrophones(128)	Hydrophone numbers
INTEGER*2	label(16)	Integer part of DREA header
INTEGER*2	input_channel	Input channel for tape
INTEGER*4	number_of_channels	# channels in input file
INTEGER*4	number_sorted	Number of elements sorted
INTEGER*2	process(128)	Channels to be processed
INTEGER*2	selector_mask(128)	For picking bytes
INTEGER*4	sift_flag	flag for channel removal
INTEGER*4	start_file	Start for numbered tape files
INTEGER*4	stop_file	Stop for numbered tape files
INTEGER*4	text_buffer	Status buffer
INTEGER*4	blocks_per_record	Determined by input file
INTEGER*4	blocks_to_read	# blocks for input read
INTEGER*4	blocks_to_write	# blocks for output write
INTEGER*4	bytes_to_read	# bytes read before sort
INTEGER*4	channels_to_process	# channels to process
INTEGER*4	consecutive_channel_bytes	
INTEGER*4	disk	Flag for disk file input
INTEGER*4	disk_channel_out	Output channel
INTEGER*4	frame_size	# bits or records per frame
INTEGER*4	frames_to_read	Input frames to read
INTEGER*4	iblk	Block for disk reads
INTEGER*4	ierorr	Error from disk reads
INTEGER*4	itime	
INTEGER*4	disk_input_channel	Input channel for disk
INTEGER*4	lump	Increment for sorting channels
INTEGER*4	frames_stored	counter for frames stored
INTEGER*4	prec	counter for frames processed
INTEGER*4	mask(4)	
INTEGER*4	nblocks	Number of blocks in input file
INTEGER*4	oblocks	default # of output blocks
INTEGER*4	offset	used for channel sorting
INTEGER*4	sysdismol	diamounts a tape
INTEGER*4	iblocks	
INTEGER*4	total_blocks	
LOGICAL	another	process another file.
LOGICAL	end_of_tape	End of tape indicator
LOGICAL	extn	Flag for output extension
LOGICAL	correct_file	File flag
LOGICAL	getyn	User response function
LOGICAL	outspec	Re-do output filespecs
LOGICAL	skip	Skip file flag
LOGICAL	verify	Verify files to be skipped
LOGICAL	wildcard	Wildcard in filename
REAL	block_time	
REAL	blkst	Blocks to read
REAL	blksw	Blocks to write
REAL	blkst	temporary storage
REAL	label(16)	Floating part of DREA header
REAL	fractional_blocks	
REAL	frame_fraction	
REAL	frame_time	
REAL	nrec	
REAL	records_per_read	
REAL	samples_per_input_block	Determined by input file
REAL	time_interval	
equivalence	tape_name(1) raw_header(5)	
equivalence	label(1) raw_header(1)	
equivalence	EOI_search_tape_mark	
equivalence	label(3) raw_header(33)	
equivalence	label(1) raw_header(65)	
equivalence	label(1) raw_header(19)	
common	to statistics prec nrec	
common	filter wfile, ofile	
common	odata output_data	
common	raw raw_byte_data	
external	105 skipfile, inf readyn, 105 skiprecord, 5 rewind	
	data for user interface.	
data	ofile 'MSB:Q80334.DAT'	
	itime = 1	
	iblocks =	
	start_file = 1	
	stop_file = 9999	

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default_extension = 'TFR'
----- Clear the screen and write a header message.
call erase_screen(1,1)
call set_cursor(2,1)
call vtmsg('re',10,' File Setup ' VT100/200 SPECIFIC
----- Set a name for the input file.
call inputs(prompt(1),ifile,help(1))
call strsupcase(ifile,ifile)
----- Determine what switches were used in the input file specification.
call switches(ifile,verify,start_file,stop_file)
----- Add a .DAT extension if none was supplied and the filename was not
specified as a wildcard.
wildcard = .FALSE.
if(index(ifile,'*').ne.0) wildcard = .TRUE.
if(index(ifile,'.')eq.0) then
  i = len2(ifile)
  if(ifile(i:i).ne.'*') then
    ifile = ifile(i:len2(ifile))//'.DAT'
  end if
end if
if(start_file.ne.0) wildcard = .TRUE.
----- Check to see if it's a disk or a magtape file.
disk = 1
if(index(ifile,'.')eq.0.or.(ifile(1:2).ne.'M5'.and.
  & ifile(1:2).ne.'M6')) disk = 1
----- If disk = 1 go to the diskfile oper section, otherwise proceed with
a magtape oper and read.
if(disk.ne.1) then
  chan=1; ifile(1:5)
  call m5file(input_channel, raw_header, ifile, wfile,itime,
    & verify,start_file,stop_file)
else
  ----- Oper and read from the disk file if tape is not the input medium.
  if(wildcard) then
    call disk_wildcard(ifile,itime,wfile)
  else
    wfile(1:len2(ifile) - ifile(1:len2(ifile)))
  end if
  call dbmure(5)
  call dbopen(disk_input_channel,wfile)
  if(ierr.ne.1) then
    type='Error on file open'
    disk_input_channel = 1
    ierr = 1
    go to 11
  end if
  ----- Determine the number of blocks in the input file.
  call dba,read(disk_input_channel,nblocks)
  if(nblocks.eq.0) stop '*** fatal -- input file is empty'
  ----- Read the header from the input file.
  call dbread(disk_input_channel,raw_header,1)
  call dbwait(disk_input_channel)
  ----- Put the byte label into temporary storage for later modification.
  do i = 1,128
    store_byte(i) = c_byte(i)
  end do
end if
----- Clear the screen and write a header message for wildcard files after
the first.
if (itime.gt.1) and wildcard and outspec then
  call erase_screen(1,1)
  call set_cursor(2,1)
  call vtmsg('re',10,' File Setup ' VT100/200 SPECIFIC
end if
----- Ask the user to accept and/or change the default output filename.
if (itime.eq.1) and wildcard then
  default = 'N'

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      extn = getyr
      Default output file extension is JFF - Change it!!
      All output files will have the specified extension!
      default:
      if(extn)then
        call inputs
        Enter the new default file extension.
        default = extn
        Typically three letters long (leave out the .)
      end if
      if(wildcard)then
        default = 'N'
        outspec = getyr
        Re-specify output parameters for each input file?
      else use the default output filename.
        default
      end if
    end if
  end if
  --- Set the default output filename to be the same as the input filename
  --- but with the extension 'default_extension'
  i = index(wfile, '.')
  if i.eq.0 i = len2(wfile)
  offile = wfile(max(index(wfile, i)+1, index(wfile, i)+1))
  4 if (default_extension .ne. default_extension!)
    if (time .eq. i .or. outspec) then
      --- Set the user's choice for the output filename.
      call inputs(prompt(3), offile, help(3))
      --- Determine whether the output file is to be Vax or READIR format.
      otype = 'V'
      call inputs(prompt(5), otype, help(5))
      call strsupcase(otype, otype)
      end if
      --- Open the file in the requested format.
      --- CDBOPEN is a disk I/O routine from NRL, originally written for
      --- PDP-11s in macro.
      if(otype.eq.'V')then
        call dbmute(5)
        call dbopen(disk_channel_out, offile)
      else
        open(unit=2, file=offile, status='new', form='unformatted',
        4 access='sequential')
        end if
      --- Work out parameters using data from the input header.
      file_type=1
      if ((label(10).eq.2).and.(label(11).eq.3)) file_type=2 .DAT
      if (label(10).eq.2 .and. (label(11).ne.1)) file_type=3 .FTR
      number_of_channels = label(7) .PWR
      bytes_per_block = label(1) * 2
      blocks_per_record = label(2)/label(1)
      samples_per_input_block = 2.*float(label(1))/
      float(label(6)*number_of_channels)
      fractional_blocks = float(bytes_per_block)
      4 float(number_of_channels*label(6))
      fractional_blocks = fractional_blocks - int(
      4 fractional_blocks)
      if(fractional_blocks.lt.0.00001)then
        blocks_per_set = 1
      else
        blocks_per_set = int((1./fractional_blocks)+0.5)
      end if
      frame_fraction = 2.*float(label(1))/(float(label(6))*
      4 float(label(7))*float(label(8)))
      if(file_type.eq.2) frame_time = label(8)
      if(file_type.eq.3) frame_time = label(6)
      block_time = frame_fraction * frame_time
      frame_size = ifix(float(label(8))*float(label(7))*
      4 float(label(6))/float(bytes_per_block))
      if(frame_size.lt.blocks_per_record) then
        if(diax.eq.1.and.frame_size.lt.1)then
          blocks_to_read = 1
        else
          blocks_to_read = blocks_per_record
        end if
      else
        blocks_to_read = frame_size
      end if
      --- Call routine which gets the desired starting time and steps into the
      --- file to that time. The routine also determines the total number of
      --- blocks to be read from the input file.
      call skipper(input_channel, samples_per_input_block, label(1),

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* a_label, blocks_per_record, c_dtime, newtime, disk, blk,
* file_type, outspec, itime, total_blocks, block_time,
* frame_time, fractional_blocks, number_of_channels)
-----
Now allow the user to choose the number of channels to put into
the output file

call channel_select (b_label, Number_of_channels, outspec, itime,
* Channels_to_process, process, hydrophones, Sift_flag, wfile,
* wildcard, skip_file)
* if skip_file .eq. 1 go to 102
-----
Modify the header to reflect changes.

label(1) = 256
if label(8) .eq. 1 then
-----
Make sure the record size in the header is an integral number of
blocks.

label(2) = label(2)*channels_to_process/number_of_channels
if mod(label(2), 256) .ne. 0, label(2) = 256
end if
label(7) = channels_to_process
if label(3) .ie. 0, label(3) = -1
-----
Sort the process vector

do k = 1, (channels_to_process-1)
do j = (k+1), channels_to_process
if process(j) < process(k) then
hold = process(k)
process(k) = process(j)
process(j) = hold
end if
end do
end do
i = 1
do j = 1, channels_to_process
k = (2*process(j)) - 1
b_label(j) = store_b_label(k)
b_label(j+1) = store_b_label(k+1)
i = i + 2
end do
do j = (2*channels_to_process) + 1, 128
b_label(j) = 0
end do
-----
Form the selector_mask vector.

k = 1
ix = 1
do j = 1, number_of_channels
if (j .eq. process(k)) then
selector_mask(j) = 1
k = k + 1
else
selector_mask(j) = 0
end if
ix = ix + 1
end do
-----
Write header data into the output file

if (otype .eq. 'V') then
call dwrite(disk_channel_out, raw_header, 1)
call dwrite(disk_channel_out)
else
write(2) (raw_header(i), i=1, 512)
end if
channel_bytes = label(6)*label(8)
temp = (ix*output_channel_bytes * number_of_channels
+ es) / (c_dtime * blocks_to_read * bytes_per_block
+ blocks_per_read * float(blocks_to_read
+ blocks_per_record
+ blocks_per_read)
-----
Determine the number of bytes we need to put into the output file.
Set it to 1024 if the size of the output vector is less than
1024.

nbytes = channel_bytes_per_input_block * label(6) *
* channels_to_process * total_blocks
if nbytes < 1024, nbytes = 1024
-----
See if we have enough input data to write out 10 blocks at
a time. If not, set default # output blocks to 10, otherwise
set it to the number we can fill.

do k = 1, fix(float(nbytes/512)) + 0.5
do j = 1, min(10, nblocks)
fixtemp = fix(float(total_blocks)

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6   float(blocks_to_read)) + 0.5)
   j = 1
   i = 1
   k = 1
   quit_flag = 0
   quit_flag2 = 0
   jrec = 1
   raw_bytes = 0
   call reader(blocks_to_read,bytes_per_block,disk,raw_bytes,
6     quit_flag,jrec,iblk,nblocks,quit_flag2,input_channel,
6     disk_input_channel,blocks_per_set)
   call transfer_status(alabel,oldtime,newtime,
6     channels_to_process,number_of_channels,process,
6     hydrophones,frames_to_read)
   if(quit_flag2.eq.1)go to 102
   if(quit_flag2.eq.2)go to 43

C.....
C-- Now throw out any channels we don't want and write the resulting data
C-- to the output disk file. (watch out for multiplexed or demultiplexed
C-- data:
C
49   if(jrec.gt.frames_to_read)go to 102
      if(selector_mask(k).ne.0)then
        do 1=1,consecutive_channel_bytes
          output_data(j) = raw_byte_data(i)
          i = i + 1
          j = j + 1
          if(i.gt.raw_bytes)then
            if(quit_flag.eq.1)go to 43
            raw_bytes = 0
            call reader(blocks_to_read,bytes_per_block,disk,
6              raw_bytes,quit_flag,jrec,iblk,nblocks,quit_flag2,
6              input_channel,disk_input_channel,blocks_per_set)
            jrec = jrec + 1
            nrec = nrec + records_per_read
            if(mod(nrec,10.).eq.0.0)then
              call transfer_status(alabel,oldtime,newtime,
6                channels_to_process,number_of_channels,process,
6                hydrophones,frames_to_read)
            end if
            i = 1
            if(quit_flag2.eq.1)go to 102
            if(quit_flag2.eq.2)go to 43
          end if
          if(j.gt.1)then
            oblocks = (j/512)
            call output(disk_channel_out,otype,oblocks,tblocks)
            if(quit_flag.eq.1)go to 102
            j = 1
          end if
        end do
      else
        i = i + consecutive_channel_bytes
        if(i.gt.raw_bytes)then
50       raw_bytes = 0
          call reader(blocks_to_read,bytes_per_block,disk,raw_bytes,
6            quit_flag,jrec,iblk,nblocks,quit_flag2,input_channel,
6            disk_input_channel,blocks_per_set)
          jrec = jrec + 1
          nrec = nrec + records_per_read
          if(mod(nrec,10.).eq.0.0)then
            call transfer_status(alabel,oldtime,newtime,
6              channels_to_process,number_of_channels,process,
6              hydrophones,frames_to_read)
          end if
          if(quit_flag2.eq.1)go to 102
          if(quit_flag2.eq.2)go to 43
          i = i - raw_bytes
          if(i.gt.raw_bytes)go to 50
        end if
      end if
      k = k + 1
      if(k.gt.number_of_channels)k = 1

C.....
C-- Update program status on terminal
C
      go to 49

C.....
C-- If wildcard process next file - otherwise let user choose to
C-- Process another or exit. Also close the input disk file.
C
102   itime = itime + 1
      if(disk.eq.1)then
        call dbclose(disk_input_channel)
      end if
      if(otype.eq.'V')then
C.....
C-- Close output file, but first calculate the number of records in the
C-- file and rewrite the header block
C
        ilabel(3) = tblocks * ilabel(1) / ilabel(2)

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      call dbwrite(disk_channel_out,raw_header,1,ierr,0)
      call dbwait(disk_channel_out)
      call dbclose(disk_channel_out)
    else
      close(unit=2)
    end if
    if(iwildcard)then
      go to 18
    else
      default = 'N'
      another = getyn(
4      ' Do you want to process another file?',
4      ' Default is to exit the program.',
4      default)
      if (.another) go to 19
    end if
    .....
C-- Dismount tape if one was used.
    .....
    if(disk.ne.1)then
      write(5,*)' Dismounting Tape'
      mask = dmt5r nounload
      status = sys5dismou(chan,eval(mask))
      if(.not.status)call lib5stop(eval(status))
    end if
    stop
  end

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C-----
C
C      subroutine check(iosb,ipos)
C
C      This routine checks the status word of the iosb (io status buffer)
C      buffer returned by system calls and aborts the program if problems occur.
C
C      integer*2 iosb(4)
C
C      if(iosb(1).ne. 1) then
C        type*, ' error in system call at position', ipos
C        do i = 1,4
C          type10C,1,iosb(i)
100      format(5x,'text_iosb(',i2,') = ',i8)
C        enddo
C        stop
C      endif
C      return
C      end

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B2 - Listing of Data Output Routine

```

C-----
C      Subroutine NAME: OUTPUT
C-----
C
C      Written by:
C      Joseph B. Farrell
C      DREA
C      15 Feb. 1986
C
C      Latest revision: 7 Aug. 1986
C
C      subroutine output(output_channel,filetype,oblocks,tblocks)
C
C      This routine writes sorted output data into a disk file using
C      the DBMT routines from NRL.
C
C      byte          output_data(10240)
C      character      filetype
C      integer*4      oblocks
C      integer*4      output_channel
C      integer*4      tblocks
C
C      common /odata/output_data
C      tblocks = tblocks + oblocks
C-----
C-- Write the sorted output data to the disk file.
C
C      if(filetype.eq.'V'.or.filetype.eq.'v')then
C        call dbwrite(output_channel,output_data,oblocks)
C        call dbwait(output_channel)
C      else
C        write(2)(output_data(1x),1x=1,(512*oblocks))
C      end if

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return
end

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B3 - Listing of Mag-Tape File Open Routine "MTFILE"

```

C-----
C                               Subroutine NAME: MTFILE
C-----
C
C                               Written by:
C                               D. Vance Crowe & Joseph B. Farrell
C                               DREA
C                               12 Mar. 1986
C
C                               Latest revision: 15 Mar. 1986
C
C                               SUBROUTINE MTFILE(input_channel, header, ifile, wfile, itime,
C                               & verify,start_file,stop_file )
C
C                               This subroutine opens a DREA data file from mag tape.
C
C----- Parameter and internal variable declarations.
C
C                               IMPLICIT INTEGER*4 (a-z)
C
C                               PARAMETER MSG=5
C
C                               BYTE                ICO                !Null byte = Null character
C                               BYTE                buffer(512)        !Raw header data
C                               BYTE                header(512)        !Raw header data
C
C                               CHARACTER*80       label              !File name labels.
C                               CHARACTER          chan*6             !Used in mag tape channel
C                               CHARACTER          default*1          !User input default
C                               CHARACTER          help(msg)*80       !User help prompts
C                               CHARACTER          ifile*64           !Input filename
C                               CHARACTER          icnull             !Null byte = Null character
C                               CHARACTER          prompt(msg)*80     !User prompts
C                               CHARACTER          tape_mark(10)      !Checks tape marks
C                               CHARACTER          tape_name(10)      !Header filename
C                               CHARACTER*12       VOL1_HDR1         !VOL1, HDR1 and EOF1 labels
C                               CHARACTER          wfile*64           !working file name
C
C                               INTEGER*2          file count
C                               INTEGER*2          input_channel      !Input channel for tape
C                               INTEGER*2          text_iosb(4)       !Status buffer
C                               INTEGER*2          iskip              !skip count
C                               INTEGER*2          start_file
C                               INTEGER*2          stop_file
C
C                               INTEGER            what_to_do        !option flag for file search
C
C                               LOGICAL            end_of_tape        !End of tape indicator
C                               LOGICAL            correct_file       !File flag
C                               LOGICAL            getyn             !User response function
C                               LOGICAL            skip               !Skip file flag
C                               LOGICAL            verify
C
C                               equivalence ( tape_name(1),buffer(5) )
C                               equivalence ( label,buffer(1) )
C                               equivalence ( ic0,icnull )
C
C                               common /io_statistics/jrec,nrec
C
C                               external    ios_skipfile,ios_readvblk,ios_skiprecord,ios_rewind
C
C                               Data VOL1_HDR1/'VOL1HDR1EOF1'/, ICO/0/, what_to_do/-1/
C----- Data for user interface.
C
C                               data (prompt(1),i=1,msg)/
C                               6' Enter name for the input datafile.',
C                               6' Want to pass over this file?(-1=y/0=only/1=no/2=rewind)',
C                               6' Enter a name for the Disk output file.',
C                               6' How many data frames do you want to read?',
C                               6' Should the output file be Vax (V) or READR1 (R) format?'/
C
C                               data (help(1),i=1,msg)/
C                               6' File name: UNIT or STRUCTURE:NAME.EXTENSION',
C                               6' -1=pass file&look at next/0=correct/1=use file/2=rewind.',
C                               6' Default name will be the same as the input filename.',
C                               6' Frames to read from the input file.',
C                               6' (V) format compatible with DISPVAX, SASPEC, etc.'/
C
C                               data ifile/'msa0:q38334.dat'/
C
C                               chan='_'//ifile(1:5)

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      if (itime.eq.1) then
        file_count = 0
        call gettap(chan)
C-----
C----- Assign a channel to the mag tape
C
        status=sys$assign(chan,input_channel,,)
        if (.not.status) call lib$stop(%val(status))
      end if
      if (file_count.gt.stop_file) stop 'All files processed.'
C-----
C----- Read the RT-11 header (incl. filename) from tape into 'buffer'
C
      110      ierror = 0
      status=sys$qiow(,%val(input_channel),ios_readvblk,text_iosb,,
1      ,%ref(buffer),%val(512),,,,,)
      if (.not.status) call lib$stop(%val(status))
C
      if (.not.status.or.text_iosb(2).eq.0) then !there was an error
        ierror = 1
        if (text_iosb(2).ne.0) then !there was a tape read error
          else !or there was an EOF
        end if
      end if

      If (ierror.Eq.1) Go to 110 !Try again
C
      itype = INDEX( VOL1_HDR1, label(1:3))
      if (itype.Eq.0) then
        If ( itime.eq.1 ) then
          iskip = -2 !Probably a data record - go back to file start
        else
          iskip = +2 !Probably a data record - go ahead to file st
        end if
      end if
      If (itype.Eq.1 ) Go to 110 !VOL label, read next header
      If (itype.Eq.5 ) Go to 150 !HDR label, check names etc
      If (itype.Eq.9 ) iskip = +1 !EOF label, skip forward 1 EOF
C !Skipping file marks
      status=sys$qiow(,%val(input_channel),ios_skipfile,
120      ,text_iosb,,%val(iskip),,,,,)
      if (.not.status) call lib$stop(%val(status))
      call check(text_iosb,-3)
      Go to 110
C-----
C----- Check to see if we've reached the end of this tape (Filename all 0's)
C
      150      end_of_tape = .true.
      do i = 1,10
        if (tape_name(i) .ne. %cnul) then
          end_of_tape = .false.
        end if
      end do
      if (end_of_tape) then
        type='End of tape encountered, Rewinding.'
C
C
      Rewind tape!...
      status=sys$qiow(,%val(input_channel),ios_rewind,text_iosb,,,,,,)
      if (.not.status) call lib$stop(%val(status))
      what_to_do = -1
      Go to 110 !Read the volume labels
      end if
C-----
C----- If not at end of the tape, check to see if we're picking a
C----- numbered file. If we are, position the tape to that file.
C
      if (start_file.gt.1.and.itime.eq.1) then
        iskip = 3 * (start_file - 1)
        file_count = 1
        type=' Skipping to next file.'
        Go to 120
      end if
      if (start_file.eq.1.and.itime.eq.1) file_count = 1
C-----
C----- See if we're reading the correct file. (wildcards allowed)
C
      correct_file = .true.
C-----
C----- If we're doing numbered files, we don't have to check the filename.
C
      if (start_file.ne.0) go to 1
      i = index(ifile,'.') - 1
      period_flag = 0
      name_length = len2 ifile
      do i = 1,10
        i2=ichar(ifile(i))
C-----
C----- Check for wildcard '*' char at end of input filename.
C
        if (i2.ne.4) then
C-----
C----- Compare input and tape file names. If input not '*',

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C
    ii=ichar(tape_name(i))
    if (ii.ne.i2) then
        correct_file = .false.
        go to 21
    end if
else
C----- If we got a wildcard character, look for '.' if period_flag = 0.
C
    if(period_flag.eq.0)then
        do while (ichar(tape_name(i)).ne.46.and.
            i.lt.10)
            i = i + 1
        end do
        i = i - 1
        period_flag = 1
    else
C----- If we've already passed the '.' then filename is assumed correct.
C
        go to 20
    end if
    end if
    j = j + 1
    if(j.gt.name_length)go to 20
end do
C If this was the correct file, indicate success and proceed.
if ( correct_file) then
20    do k = 1,index(ifile,':')
        wfile(k:k) = ifile(k:k)
    end do
    do k = 1,10
        j=k+ index(ifile,':')
        wfile(j:j) = tape_name(k)
    end do
    type*, ' file ',wfile(6:15), ' found'
    goto 220
end if
C-----
C--- If it's not the right file, skip to the next one (giving the user
C--- the option of processing the file which has been found).
C
21    continue
    if(verify)then
        type*, ' Found file: ',tape_name
        If(what_to_do.Eq. -1) Then !Ask the question the first time
            call inputI(prompt(2),what_to_do,help(2))
        Endif
    else
        what_to_do = 0
    end if
    If(what_to_do .Eq. 0) Go to 180      !Find the correct file
    If(what_to_do .Eq. 1) Go to 190      !Use this file as correct one
    If(what_to_do .Eq. 2) Go to 160      !Rewind tape.
    If(what_to_do .Ne.-1) Then
        Type *, ' Assume you want to skip to next file.'
    endif
180    iskip = +3
    type*, ' Skipping to next file.'
        Go to 120                      !Skip forward 3 file marks.
C
C The user wants this file that he/she found.
190    do k = 1,index(ifile,':')
        wfile(k:k) = ifile(k:k)
    end do
    do k = 1,10
        j=k+ index(ifile,':')
        wfile(j:j) = tape_name(k)
    end do
    go to 220
C-----
C--- Skip over file mark to the beginning of the drea header data
C
220    status=sys$qiow(, %val(input_channel), ios_skiprecord,
        1      text_iosb,,, %val(1),,,, )
        if (.not.status) call lib$stop(%val(status))
C-----
C--- We're finally in position, so read in the DREA header
C
        status=sys$qiow(, %val(input_channel), ios_readvblk, text_iosb,,
            1      , %ref(buffer), %val(512),,,, )
        if (.not.status) call lib$stop(%val(status))
D        Type *, ' finished reading drea header'
        call check(text_iosb,-5)
C
C-----
C--- At this point, we've read in the header from tape.
C
        file_count = file_count + 1
        DO 310 ii=1,512
310        header(ii)=buffer(ii)

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C
RETURN
END
```

B4 - Routine to Allocate and Mount Mag-Tape

```
C.....
C      Subroutine NAME: GETTAP
C.....

C
C      Written by:
C      Joseph B. Farrell
C      DREA
C      15 Mar. 1986
C
C      Latest revision:  7 Aug. 1986

subroutine gettap(chan)
structure /itmlst/
union
  map
    INTEGER*2      buflen
    INTEGER*2      code
    INTEGER*4      bufadr
    INTEGER*4      endlst
  end map
  map
    INTEGER*4      end_list
  end map
end union
end structure

record /itmlst/ mnt_list(3)
include '(Smntdef)'
include '(Sdmtdef)'
include '(Sssdef)'

CHARACTER          chan*6          'Used in mag tape channel'
INTEGER*4          mask /0/
INTEGER*4          status
INTEGER*4          sys$mount
INTEGER*4          sys$alloc

C.....
C--- Allocate and mount the mag tape.
C
      status = sys$alloc(chan,,,,)
C.....
C--- If tape is already mounted skip mounting section.
C
      if (status.eq.ss$devmount)then
        type*, 'Tape is already mounted - assuming you did it.'
        go to 10
      end if
      if (status.eq.ss$devalloc)then
        write(5,*) 'Error - device probably allocated to another user'
        stop
      end if
      if (status.eq.ss$devalrealloc)then
        write(5,*) 'Device already allocated to you.'
      end if
      mask = 0
      mask = mnt$m_foreign .or. mnt$m_message .or. mnt$m_noassist

      mnt_list(1).buflen = 6
      mnt_list(1).code = mnt$devnam
      mnt_list(1).bufadr = %i0c(chan)
      mnt_list(1).endlst = 0
      mnt_list(2).buflen = 4
      mnt_list(2).code = mnt$flags
      mnt_list(2).bufadr = %i0c(mask)
      mnt_list(2).endlst = 0
      mnt_list(3).end_list = 0

      status = sys$mount(mnt_list)
      if(.not.status)call $IB$stop(%val(status))
10    continue
      return
      end
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B5 - Channel Selection Subroutine

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C.....
C      SUBROUTINE NAME: Channel_Select
C.....
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This subroutine chooses which of the channels in an RT-11 or VAX format data file are to be processed. It uses the GETVEC subroutine written by Doug Peters (ASP Summer Student) to read a vector from the user's terminal.

SUBROUTINE CALLS:

- 1) INPUT: - Routine which reads an integer from the terminal.
- 2) GETVEC - Routine which reads a vector from the terminal.
- 3) WAIT - Waits for a specified amount of time.
- 4) Erase screen - Clears the terminal screen.
- 5) Set_cursor - Moves the cursor to a specified location.

MAIN CODE

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subroutine channel_select(blabel,number_of_channels,outspec,itime,
4 channels_to_process,process,hydrophones,sift_flag,wfile,
4 wildcard,skip)
----- Parameter and internal variable declarations.
implicit integer*4 (a-z)
parameter msg=1

byte          blabel(128)

character      default*1
character      help(msg)*70
character      wfile*64
character      prompt(msg)*70
character      response*3
character      string*12

integer*2      channels(128)
integer*2      original_channels(128)
integer*2      hydrophones(128)
integer*2      new_HP
integer*2      number_of_channels
integer*2      number_of_hydrophones
integer*2      phones(128)
integer*2      original_phones(128)
integer*2      process(128)
integer*2      sift_flag

integer*4      channels_to_process
integer*4      original_channels_to_process
integer*4      check_channel
integer*4      finish
integer*4      iflag
integer*4      ip

LOGICAL        all_flag
LOGICAL        ok(128)
LOGICAL        outspec
LOGICAL        preserve_phones
LOGICAL        proceed
LOGICAL        wildcard

real*4         val(128)
----- Data for user interface.
data (prompt(1),i=1,msg)/
4 ' How many channels do you want to process? (-1 for all)'/

data (help(1),i=1,MSG)/
4 ' Enter the number of channels to process.'/
----- Variable initializations
number_of_hydrophones = 0
new_HP = 0
if (itime.eq.1.or.outspec) all_flag = .FALSE.
----- Determine which channels contain acoustic data. Collect the
hydrophone numbers and corresponding channels.
do i=1,2*number_of_channels,2
j = i+1

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      k = j/2
      if (blabel(i) .ge. 0) then
        number_of_hydrophones = number_of_hydrophones + 1
        channels(number_of_hydrophones) = k
        phones(number_of_hydrophones) = blabel(i)
      end if
    end do
C-----
C--- Must be at least one hydrophone in the file.
C
      if (number_of_hydrophones .lt. 1)
        & stop 'Channel_select - no acoustic data found in file.'
C-----
C--- Allow channel numbers or H/P numbers to be preserved between
C--- files.
C
      if (.not. outspec.and.itime.eq.1.and.wildcard) then
        default = 'Y'
        preserve_phones = getyn(
          & 'Select the same H/P (Y) or channels (N) from each file?',
          & 'Default will select the same H/P from each input file.',
          & default)
      end if
C-----
C--- If itime > 1 compare hydrophones with those from the original file
C--- and write out a warning if the chosen ones differ.
C
      if (.not. outspec.and.itime.gt.1) then
        missing_flag = 0
        l = 1
C-----
C--- Look through the available phones to see if the desired ones are
C--- there.
C
        do j = 1, original_channels_to_process
          do k = 1, number_of_hydrophones
            if (phones(k).eq.original_phones(j)) then
C-----
C--- Use the process vector to point at the location of the desired
C--- H/P if we're keying on H/P.
C
              if (preserve_phones) then
                process(l) = k
                l = l + 1
              end if
              go to 7
            end if
          end do
        end do
C-----
C--- Set a flag to indicate H/P missing if we can't find one.
C
        missing_flag = 1
        continue
      end do
C-----
C--- If there are H/P missing write a warning and let the user decide
C--- what to do.
C
      if (missing_flag.eq.1) then
        call erase_screen(1,1)
        call set_cursor(2,1)
        call vtmess('re','c',' Channel Setup ')
        type 1000,wfile
        format(' Working on file: ',A20)
        type*, ' The h/p available differ from the originals.'
        type *, ' OLD: ', (original_phones(jj),jj=1,
          & original_channels_to_process)
        type *, ' NEW: ', (phones(jj),jj=1,
          & number_of_hydrophones)
        if (.not. preserve_phones) then
          type*, ' You are keying on channels rather than phones ',
            & 'so I am proceeding.'
          call wait('0::3',5)
        end if
C-----
C--- If we're preserving a set of H/P between files,
C--- Option to proceed with the found subset of H/P or to skip file.
C
        if (preserve_phones) then
          proceed = .false.
          if (l.gt.1) then
            default = 'Y'
            proceed = getyn(
              & 'Proceed using the subset of requested phones found?',
              & 'Re-specify H/P or skip this file if reply is N.',
              & default)
          end if
C-----
C--- If the user chose not to proceed with the subset found, give
C--- the option on re-specifying the H/P or of skipping the file.
C

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        if(.not.proceed)then
            default = 'Y'
            proceed = getyn(
2             'Skip to the next file in the input set?',
2             'Default is to request a new set of H/P to process.',
2             default)
            if(proceed)then
                skip = 1
                return
            else
                new_HP = 1
                go to 8
            end if
        end if
    end if
C----- If we're using the subset, continue processing.
C
    end if
C----- If we're keying on channels rather than H/P make sure we have
C----- enough channels.
C
    if(.not.preserve_phones)then
C----- Only do it if we're not processing all channels in the file.
C
        if(.not.all_flag)then
            k = 1
            do j = 1,original_channels_to_process
C----- Check to see if a requested channel is > than the # we have.
C
                if(original_channels(j).gt.number_of_hydrophones)then
                    type*, 'You asked for a channel not found in the',
5                     'input file.'
C----- If channel out of range, user can skip file or proceed.
C
                    default = 'Y'
                    proceed = getyn(
5                     'Skip to the next file in the input set?',
5                     'Otherwise use this file with reduced # of chans.',
5                     default)
                    if(proceed)then
                        skip = 1
                        return
                    end if
                else
                    type*, 'Proceeding with reduced # of channels.'
                    process(k) = original_channels(j)
                    k = k + 1
                end if
            end do
            channels_to_process = k - 1
        end if
    end if
    if(all_flag)then
        channels_to_process = number_of_channels
        go to 5
    end if
C----- Clear the screen and write a header message.
C
    if(itime.eq.1.or.outspec)then
6        call erase_screen(1,1)
        call set_cursor(2,1)
        call vtmsg('re','c',' Channel Setup ')
C----- Show the acoustic channels available and let the user choose some.
C
        type 1, number_of_channels
        format(' ',t3,' There are',i3,' channels in the input file.')
        type 2, (channels(i),i=1,number_of_hydrophones)
        format(' ',t3,' The following are acoustic channels: '/
5         ' ',t3,26(i2:',')/' ',t3,26(i2:',')/' ',t3,26(i2:','))
        type 3, (phones(i),i=1,number_of_hydrophones)
        format(' ',t3,' The corresponding H/P numbers are: '/
5         ' ',t3,26(i2:',')/' ',t3,26(i2:',')/' ',t3,26(i2:','))
        channels_to_process = -1
        call input1(prompt(1),channels_to_process,help(1))
    end if
C----- Set flag indicating all channels to be processed for subsequent
C----- files if necessary.
C
    if(itime.eq.1.or.new_HP.eq.1.or.outspec)then
        if(channels_to_process.eq.-1)then

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      all_flag = .TRUE.
      channels_to_process = number_of_channels
      end if
      original_channels_to_process = channels_to_process
      end if
C-----
C--- User must choose hydrophones >= 1 and <= number available
C
6      if (channels_to_process .lt. 1 .or.
      & channels_to_process .gt. number_of_channels) then
      type 3500
3500    format(/' channel_select - illegal number of channels to',
      & ' process chosen.'/)
      call wait('0 ::2',5)
      call erase_screen(5,1)
      go to 4
C-----
C--- Load all H/P, channels and gains if all are to be analyzed.
C
      else if (channels_to_process .eq. number_of_channels) then
8      do 400 i=1,number_of_channels
      process(i) = 1
      hydrophones(i) = phones(i)
      if (itime.eq.1) then
      original_phones(i) = phones(i)
      original_channels(i) = process(i)
      end if
400    continue
      return
      end if
C-----
C--- Identify individual h/p if a subset of the total was chosen.
C
      if (itime.eq.1.or.new_HP.eq.1.or.outspec) then
      type 4000
4000    format(/' ',t3,' Enter the channels you wish to study : ',5)
      call getvec(val,ok,channels_to_process)
      if (ok(1)) then
      do j=1,channels_to_process
      process(j)=int(val(j))
      end do
C-----
C--- Set flag to indicate that a channel(s) must be removed from data.
C
      sift_flag = 1
      else
      type '(/' channel select - sorry, no default.')
      call wait('0 ::2',5)
      call erase_screen(5,1)
      go to 4
      end if
      end if
      do j=1,channels_to_process
      hydrophones(j) = phones(process(j))
      if (itime.eq.1) then
      original_phones(j) = phones(process(j))
      original_channels(j) = process(j)
      end if
      end do
      return
      end

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B6 - Routine For Choosing Data Segment To Be Transferred

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C-----
C      SUBROUTINE NAME: SKIPPER
C-----
C
C      Written by:
C      Joseph B. Farrell
C      DREA
C      14 Feb. 1986
C
C      Latest revision: 23 May. 1986
C
C      This program uses the header to determine the starting time of an
C      input file, asks the user to enter a desired start time, and then steps
C      into the file the desired amount.
C-----
C      MAIN CODE
C-----
C
      subroutine skipper(input_chan,points_per_block,sampling_frequency,
      & l_label,blocks_per_record,oldtime,newtime,disk,disk_start_block,
      & l_file_type,outspec,itime,total_blocks,block_time,frame_time,
      & l_fractional_blocks,number_of_channels)
C-----
C--- Parameter and internal variable declarations.

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C
IMPLICIT INTEGER*4 (a-z)

PARAMETER msg=2

CHARACTER          alabel*320
CHARACTER          default*1
CHARACTER          help(msg)*70
CHARACTER          newtime*8
CHARACTER          oldtime*8
CHARACTER          transtime*8
CHARACTER          prompt(msg)*70

INTEGER            blocks_per_record
INTEGER            blocks_to_skip
INTEGER*4          disk
INTEGER*4          disk_start_block
INTEGER*2          file_type
INTEGER*2          input_chan
INTEGER*4          itime
INTEGER*2          new_time(3)
INTEGER*2          number_of_channels
INTEGER*2          redo
INTEGER*2          text_iosb(4)
INTEGER*4          total_blocks
INTEGER*2          transfer_time(3)

LOGICAL            getyn
LOGICAL            newtim
LOGICAL            outspec
LOGICAL            status

REAL              begin_time
REAL              block_time
REAL              fractional_blocks
REAL              frame_time
REAL              old_time(3)
REAL              points_per_block
REAL              blocks_per_hour
REAL              real_skip
REAL              sampling_frequency
REAL              tape_time
REAL              test
REAL              time_difference

EXTERNAL          ios_skipfile, ios_readvbik, ios_skiprecord, ios_rewind
C-----
C--- Data for user interface.
C
data (prompt(1),i=1,msg)/
  &' Do you want to begin processing at some other time.',
  &' Enter the time at which you wish to start.'/
data (help(1),i=1,msg)/
  &' Default is to start at the time shown.',
  &' Format is HH:MM:SS.'/
C-----
C--- Variable initializations.
C
newtim = .false.
oldtime(1:) = alabel(12:19)
newtime(1:) = alabel(12:19)
if(file_type.eq.1)then
  blocks_per_hour = 3600.*sampling_frequency/
  1 (points_per_block)
  block_time = 1./blocks_per_hour
end if
C-----
C--- Print the file start time on the user's terminal.
C
newtim = .FALSE.
if(itime.eq.1.or.outspec)then
  call erase_screen(1,1)
  call set_cursor(2,1)
  call vtmess('re','c',' This file starts at '//alabel(12:19),' ')
C-----
C--- Let the user determine a start time for data analysis.
C--- (If NEWTIM is returned as "FALSE" analysis starts at the beginning
C--- of the file.)
C
default = 'N'
newtim = getyn(prompt(1),help(1),default)
end if
if( newtim )then
C-----
C--- Decode the file start time into the vector Old_time.
C
decode(2,1000,alabel(12:13))old_time(1)
decode(2,1000,alabel(15:16))old_time(2)
decode(2,1000,alabel(18:19))old_time(3)
1000 format(f2.0)
C-----

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C--- If we're changing start times, read in the new time and "DECODE" it
C--- into the array New_time.
C
      call inputs(prompt(2),newtime,help(2))
      if(newtime.eq.oidtime)go to 1
      decode(2,1001,newtime(1:2))new_time(1)
      decode(2,1001,newtime(4:5))new_time(2)
      decode(2,1001,newtime(7:8))new_time(3)
1001    format(I2)
C-----
C--- Tape_time is set to the input file start time (in decimal hours).
C--- Begin_time is set to the processing start time.
C
      tape_time = old_time(1) + (old_time(2) / 60.0) +
      1    (old_time(3) / 3600.0)
      begin_time = float(new_time(1))+(float(new_time(2)) / 60.0)+
      1    (float(new_time(3)) / 3600.0)
      time_difference = begin_time - tape_time
C-----
C-- Make sure we start on a block which begins with the first channel
C-- if we're doing a .DAT file.
C
      nblocks = 1
      if (fractional_blocks.gt.0.0001)then
      do nblocks = 2,number_of_channels
      test = float(nblocks)*fractional_blocks
      if( (abs(test) - abs(int(test)))<.0.0001)then
      go to 22
      end if
      end do
      end if
C-----
C-- Check to make sure we aren't moving into the middle of an FFT or
C-- a spectrum if the file is .FTR or .PWR
C
      if(file_type.eq.2)call timer(time_difference,frame_time,redo)
      if(file_type.eq.3)call timer(time_difference,frame_time,redo)
      if(redc.eq.1)go to 21
C-----
C--- Determine how many records to skip before beginning processing.
C--- (file_type=1 indicates .DAT, -2 indicates .FTR, and -3 .PWR)
C
22      if(file_type.eq.1)then
      blocks_to_skip = int(blocks_per_hour * time_difference)
C-----
C-- Make sure we start on a block which begins with the first channel
C-- if we're doing a .DAT file.
C
24      if(amod(float(blocks_to_skip),float(nblocks)).eq.
      6    0.)then
      go to 23
      else
      blocks_to_skip = blocks_to_skip - 1
      go to 24
      end if
23      real_skip=tape_time + (float(blocks_to_skip)/blocks_per_hour)
      else
      blocks_to_skip = (int(time_difference / block_time))
      real_skip=tape_time + (float(blocks_to_skip) * block_time)
      end if
C-----
C--- Set the start time to the time we're actually going to skip
C--- into the file (We may not be able to skip exactly to the requested
C--- time because of the finite record lenght in the input file).
C
      new_time(1) = int(real_skip)
      real_skip = (real_skip-new_time(1))*60
      new_time(2) = int(real_skip)
      real_skip = (real_skip-new_time(2))*60
      new_time(3) = int(real_skip)
C-----
C--- "ENCODE" the actual start time into the character string NEWTIME
C--- and display it on the user's terminal.
C
      encode(2,1001,newtime(1:2)) new_time(1)
      encode(2,1001,newtime(4:5)) new_time(2)
      encode(2,1001,newtime(7:8)) new_time(3)
      type*, ' Actual start time will be ',newtime
      label(12:19)=newtime(1:8)
C-----
C--- Skip the requested number of records
C
      if(disk.ne.1)then
C-----
C--- Skip records on tape if that is the media being used.
C
      if (blocks_to_skip .ne. 0) then
      type*,blocks_to_skip,' physical blocks will be skipped.'
      status=sys$qiow(,fval(input_chan),ios_skiprecord,text_iosb,,
      1    ,fval(blocks_to_skip),,,,),
      if(.not.status)call lib$stop(fval(status))
      call check(text_iosb,-1)

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        endif
    else
C.....
C--- Set the start block for reads from disk.
C
        disk_start_block = blocks_to_skip + 1
        type*, ' Disk start block will be: ', disk_start_block
    end if
    call wait('0 ::2',5)
    else
C.....
C--- Control jumps here if we're going to start at the beginning of the
C   file.
C
C
        disk_start_block = 1
    end if
C.....
C--- Now give the user the option of specifying the number of records
C--- to be read from the input file or specifying a time interval.
C
        if(itime.eq.1.or.outspec)then
            total_blocks = -1
            call inputi(
20      6 ' Enter n to X-fer n blocks, -1 for all, -2 to specify time',
            6 total_blocks,
            6 '-2 will let you enter a time interval for the transfer.')
            if(total_blocks.eq.-1)then
                total_blocks = 100000
            else
                if(total_blocks.eq.-2)then
                    transtime = '00:01:00'
                    call inputs(
                    6 ' Enter the length of time of the transfer.',
                    6 transtime,
                    6 ' Format is HH:MM:SS.')
                    decode(2,1001,transtime(1:2))transfer_time(1)
                    decode(2,1001,transtime(4:5))transfer_time(2)
                    decode(2,1001,transtime(7:8))transfer_time(3)
                    time_difference = transfer_time(1) + (transfer_time(2) / 60.0) +
1      1 (transfer_time(3) / 3600.0)
                    if(time_difference.eq.0)then
                        type*, ' You specified a zero-length transfer - try again.'
                        go to 20
                    end if
                end if
            end if
C.....
C--- Check to make sure we're transferring at least a full FFT or spectrum
C
            if(file_type.eq.2)call timer(time_difference,frame_time,redo)
            if(file_type.eq.3)call timer(time_difference,frame_time,redo)
            if(redo.eq.1)go to 20
            total_blocks = time_difference / block_time
            if(total_blocks.eq.0)then
                type*, ' WARNING - you are trying to transfer 0 blocks!',
                6 ' Try again.'
                type*, ' Transfer time must be at least',
                6 frame_time*3600.
                go to 20
            end if
            else
                total_blocks = total_blocks * blocks_per_record
            end if
        end if
        end if
        return
    end

    subroutine timer(time_difference,unit_time,redo)

    IMPLICIT INTEGER*4 (a-z)

    INTEGER*2      choose
    INTEGER*2      redo

    REAL           check
    REAL           seconds
    REAL           time_difference
    REAL           unit_time

    redo = 0
    check = amod(time_difference,unit_time)
    seconds = unit_time * 3600.
    if(check.ne.0.)then
        type*, ' You are not using an integral number of records.'
        choose = 1
        call inputi(
        6 ' Type 1 to take closest record start, 2 to re-specify time',
        6 choose,
        6 ' Closest may be earlier or later than the chosen time.')
        if(choose.eq.1)then
            time_difference = anint(time_difference / unit_time) *
            6 unit_time
        else

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        type', 'Time difference must be a multiple of',seconds,
6      'seconds.'
      redo = 1
    end if
  end if
  return
end

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B7 - Routine to Decode Switches in Filename

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C.....SUBROUTINE NAME: SWITCHES
C.....
C
C      Written by:
C      Joseph B. Farrell
C      DREA
C      3 Jul. 1986
C
C      Latest revision: 3 Jul. 1986
C
C      This subroutine picks switches from a user input filename.
C
C      subroutine switches ( filename,verify,start_file,stop_file)
C
C      character          filename*64
C
C      INTEGER*2          number
C      INTEGER*2          start_file
C      INTEGER*2          stop_file
C      INTEGER*2          start
C      INTEGER*2          stop
C
C      logical            verify
C
C----- Initialize variables
C
C      verify = .FALSE.
C
C----- Check to see if verify flag is present.
C
C      start = index( filename , '/V')
C      if( start .ne. 0 ) verify = .TRUE.
C
C----- Look for a START flag , and if present decode the starting file
C----- number.
C
C      start = index ( filename , '/START=' )
C      if ( start .ne. 0 ) then
C        start = start + 7
C        stop = index( filename(start:) , '/' )
C        if ( stop .eq. 0 ) then
C          stop = len2(filename)
C          number = stop - (start-1)
C        else
C          stop = start + stop - 2
C          number = stop - (start-1)
C        end if
C        decode (number,100,filename(start:stop)) start_file
C        format( I2 )
C
C----- Look for a STOP flag , and if present decode the stopping file
C----- number.
C
C      start = index ( filename , '/STOP=' )
C      if ( start .ne. 0 ) then
C        start = start + 6
C        stop = index( filename(start:) , '/' )
C        if ( stop .eq. 0 ) then
C          stop = len2(filename)
C          number = stop - (start - 1)
C        else
C          stop = start + stop - 2
C          number = stop - (start - 1)
C        end if
C        decode (number,100,filename(start:stop)) stop_file
C        stop_file = start_file
C      end if
C    end if
C
C----- Look for switch mark and remove all switches from the filename.
C
C      start = index ( filename , '/')
C      if ( start .ne. 0 ) then
C        filename(start:len2(filename)) = ' '
C      end if
C      return

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end

B8 - Routine to Determine Wildcard File List

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.....
C      Subroutine NAME: Disk_Wildcard
C      .....
C
C      Written by:
C      Joseph B. Farrell
C      DREA
C      10 Jul. 1986
C
C      Latest revision: 7 Aug. 1986
C
C      subroutine disk_wildcard(ifile,itime,wfile)
C
C      CHARACTER      string*80
C      CHARACTER      ifile*64
C      CHARACTER      wfile*64
C
C      INTEGER*4      dev_flag
C      INTEGER*4      itime
C
C      .....
C      Do a directory using the input filespecs of ifile (first time only).
C
C      if(itime.eq.1)then
C        string='dir/siz/co:1/ou:transfer.tmp '//ifile
C        istatus=lib$spawn(%desc(string(1:len2(string))))
C        if(.not.istatus)call lib$stop(%val(istatus))
C
C      .....
C      Read garbage from the directory file
C
C      open(unit=17,status='old',file='transfer.tmp',form='formatted',
C      1      carriagecontrol='list')
C        read(17,*)          ! skip empty line
C        read(17,*)          ! skip dir name line
C        read(17,*)          ! skip empty line
C      end if
C      read(17,10010,err=10)(string(j:j),j=1,21)
C      format(21a1)
C      if(string(1:1).eq.' ')go to 10
C      dev_flag = index(ifile,':')
C      do j = 1, dev_flag
C        wfile(j:j) = ifile(j:j)
C      end do
C      do j = 1,(index(string,':')-1)
C        k = j + dev_flag
C        wfile(k:k) = string(j:j)
C      end do
C      return
C 10 stop 'No more files match the input spec.'
C      end

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B9 - Routine for Data Input from File

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.....
C      Subroutine NAME: READER
C      .....
C
C      Written by:
C      Joseph B. Farrell
C      DREA
C      25 Aug. 1986
C
C      Latest revision: 30 Aug. 1986
C
C      subroutine reader(blocks_to_read,bytes_per_block,disk,raw_bytes,
C 4      quit_flag,jrec,iblk,nblocks,quit_flag2,input_channel,
C 4      disk_input_channel,blocks_per_set)
C
C      IMPLICIT INTEGER*4 (a-z)
C
C      byte      raw_byte_data(50000)
C
C      integer*4      blocks_to_read
C      integer*4      blocks_to_skip
C      integer*2      bytes_per_block
C      integer*4      disk
C      integer*2      input_channel
C      integer*4      disk_input_channel
C      integer*4      raw_bytes
C      integer*2      text_iosb(4)
C      integer*4      quit_flag

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integer*4      quit_flag2
integer*4      jrec
integer*4      iblk
integer*4      nblocks

common /raw/raw_byte_data

external      ios_skipfile,ios_readvblk,ios_skiprecord,ios_rewind

C.....
C-- Read in a frame of data from tape or disk.
C
      if(jrec.eq.1) parity_count = 0
      if(disk.ne.1)then
C.....
C-- Read from Magtape.
C
      do i = 1,blocks_to_read
      parity_flag = 0
      mov = (i-1)*bytes_per_block + 1
92      status=sys$qiow(,ival(input_channel),ios_readvblk,
      text_iosb,,
      ,%ref(raw_byte_data(Mov)),ival(bytes_per_block),,,)
C.....
C-- Check to see if there was an error on the tape read.
C
      if(.not.status.or.text_iosb(2).eq.0)then
      frames_stored = jrec - 1
      call set_cursor(21,1)
      if(text_iosb(4).ne.2.and.text_iosb(4)
      .ne.10)then
      parity_count = parity_count + 1
C.....
C-- If parity error on the first record, skip into the file until we get
C-- to the next block which begins with the first channel, then begin.
C
      if(jrec.eq.1.and.i.le.blocks_per_set)then
      type*, ' Error reading first record!!'
      blocks_to_skip = blocks_per_set - 1
      if(blocks_to_skip.ne.0)then
      status=sys$qiow(,ival(input_channel),
      ios_skiprecord,text_iosb,,
      ,ival(blocks_to_skip),,,,,)
      if(.not.status)call lib$stop(ival(status))
      end if
      go to 92
      end if
      type*, ' Error reading record!! Error count=',
      parity_count
C.....
C-- If a parity error occurs on a record, go back and reread the last
C-- good block of data which begins with the correct channel.
C
      parity_flag = parity_flag + 1
      blocks_to_skip = -(blocks_per_set + 1)
      status=sys$qiow(,ival(input_channel),
      ios_skiprecord,text_iosb,,
      ,ival(blocks_to_skip),,,,,)
      if(.not.status)call lib$stop(ival(status))
      go to 92
      else
      type*, 'End of file encountered.'
      if (raw_bytes.ne.0)then
      quit_flag = 1
      return
      end if
      end if
      type*, 'Saving ',frames_stored,' frames and exiting.'
      quit_flag2 = 1
      return
      end if
      raw_bytes = raw_bytes + bytes_per_block
      if(parity_flag.ne.0)then
      blocks_to_skip = parity_flag * blocks_per_set
      status=sys$qiow(,ival(input_channel),
      ios_skiprecord,text_iosb,,
      ,ival(blocks_to_skip),,,,,)
      if(.not.status)call lib$stop(ival(status))
      end if
      end do
      else
C.....
C-- Check to see if the next read will put us past the end of the file.
C-- The -1 is to account for the fact that DBREAD counts from 0 rather
C-- than 1. (Remember that we haven't read block iblk yet.)
C
      if((iblk+blocks_to_read).gt.(nblocks-1))then
C.....
C-- If we're out of data, dump what we've collected, or simply close
C-- the files if we have no data to dump.
C
      write(5,' Read puts us past EOF. biks to read.',blocks_to_read

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write(5,*)'iblk & nblks',iblk,nblocks
blocks_to_read = nblocks - iblk
write(5,*)'New blks to read',Blocks_to_read
pause
type*, ' End of file encountered.'
if(blocks_to_read.gt.0)then
  raw_bytes = blocks_to_read * bytes_per_block
  quit_flag = 1
  go to 33
else
  if(j.ne.1) quit_flag2 = 2
  return
end if
else
  C.....
  C-- Read from Disk file.
  C
  raw_bytes = blocks_to_read * bytes_per_block
  call dbread(disk_input_channel,raw_byte_data,blocks_to_read,
  33      ierror,iblk)
  if(ierror.ne.0)then
    type*, 'Error encountered on disk read.'
    type*, 'Saving what I can and exiting.'
    quit_flag2 = 1
    return
  end if
  iblk=iblk+blocks_to_read
  call dbwait(disk_input_channel)
end if
end if
return
end

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B10 - Transfer Status Routine

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C
C Subroutine : TRANSFER_STATUS
C
C Created : Summer, 1982 by U.Vic Physics Co-op student Laurie Bunch
C
C Major Modifications : Spring, 1986 by Joe Farrell - Deep Water Acoustics
C
C Purpose : To display to the user the major parameters in the
C           Surveillance Acoustics TRANSFER program during execution.
C
C Called by : TRANSFER
C
C Calls : 1) DATE_TIME = Subroutine which obtains the system date
C               and time in an ASCII format.
C         2) ERASE_SCREEN = Subroutine which erases the screen from
C               the specified position to the end.
C         3) SET_CURSOR = Subroutine which sets the cursor to a
C               specified position on the terminal screen.
C         4) FORSSECNDS = Fortran library routine which determines
C               the number of seconds difference between
C               the number specified and the current time.
C         5) COMPRESS = Subroutine which compresses the chosen
C               channels into a format suitable for display.
C
C----- Parameter and variable definitions.
C
C REQUIRED PARAMETERS:
C CHANNELS_CHOSEN = Channels corresponding to the hydrophones
C                   chosen for study.
C nrec = Number of input file records processed.
C FILES = Input and output files.
C HYDROPHONES_CHOSEN = Hydrophones chosen for study.
C NUMBER_CHOSEN = Number of hydrophones chosen for study.
C number_of_frames = Upper limit placed by the user on the
C                   number of frames to be processed.
C frames_processed = Number of frames which have been processed
C ALABEL = ASCII label from input tape.
C TIME_OFFSET = Time in seconds which the user wishes to step
C               into the input data.
C TOTAL_CHANNELS = Total number of channels on the input file.
C
C INTERNAL VARIABLES:
C AVERAGE_TIME_per frame = Amount of system time (not CPU) that
C                           one frame required.
C BASE = The number of rows required to print all major
C        parameters up to the channels chosen.
C BASE_TIME = Time zero when the timer was initiated.
C DATE_AND_TIME = System date and time in an ASCII format.
C DELTA_TIME = Time from base time to present.
C HMS_TIME_OFFSET = Hours, minutes and seconds equivalent of
C                  the time offset specified by the user in
C                  seconds.
C
C-----

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C--- Main code
C
      SUBROUTINE TRANSFER_STATUS(ALABEL,TIN,TOUT,
        4          NUMBER_CHOSEN,
        4          TOTAL_CHANNELS,CHANNELS_CHOSEN,
        4          HYDROPHONES_CHOSEN,Number_of_frames)
C-----
C----- Parameter and internal variable declarations.
C
      CHARACTER*320      ALABEL
      CHARACTER          DATE_AND_TIME*20
      CHARACTER*64       FILES(2)
      CHARACTER*128      OUTVECT
      CHARACTER*8         TIN
      CHARACTER*8         TOUT

      INTEGER*4          NUMBER_CHOSEN      !Must be before adjustable array.

      INTEGER*2          CHANNELS_CHOSEN(NUMBER_CHOSEN)
      INTEGER*2          HYDROPHONES_CHOSEN(NUMBER_CHOSEN)
      INTEGER*2          NELS
      INTEGER*2          total_channels

      INTEGER*4          BASE
      INTEGER*4          frames_processed
      INTEGER*4          number_of_frames
      INTEGER*4          FIRST
      INTEGER*4          HMS_TIME_OFFSET(3)

      REAL*4             average_time_per_record
      REAL*4             BASE_TIME
      REAL*4             DELTA_TIME
      REAL*4             nrec
      REAL*4             PERCENT_OVERLAP
      REAL*4             TIME_OFFSET

C-----
C----- I/O files and statistics passed by common for ease.
C
      COMMON /IO_STATISTICS/frames_processed,nrec
      COMMON /FILER/FILES
      COMMON /OUT/OUTVECT
C-----
C----- Obtain the current system time.
C
      CALL DATE_TIME(DATE_AND_TIME)
C-----
C----- If first call to this subroutine print everything to the terminal.
C
      IF (frames_processed .EQ. 1) THEN
C-----
C----- Print the header.
C
        CALL ERASE_SCREEN(1,1)
        TYPE 1000
        FORMAT('++',T29,'FILE TRANSFER STATISTICS')
        TYPE 1100, DATE_AND_TIME
        FORMAT('++',T31,A)
        TYPE 1200
        FORMAT('++',80(' '))
C-----
C----- Print the ASCII label and the input and output files.
C
        TYPE 2000, ALABEL(65:110)
        FORMAT(T3,'ASCII label : ',A46)
        CALL SET_CURSOR(5,1)
        type 3000, files(2) (1:24)
        format(/:42,'Output file : ',A)
        type 3001, files(1) (1:24)
        format('++',t3,'Input file : ',A)
C-----
C----- Print the time offset in its new form.
C
        TYPE 4000, TIN,TOUT
        FORMAT (/T3,'Starts at : ',A,T42,'Starts at : ',A)
C-----
C----- If the number of frames is greater than 5000, then the program is
C----- running till it hits the end of the input file (EOF).
C
        IF (number_of_frames .GE. 3000) THEN
          TYPE 5000, 'EOF EOF'
          FORMAT(/T3,'Number of frames requested : ',A6)
        ELSE
          TYPE 5001,number_of_frames
          FORMAT(/T3,'Number of frames requested : ',I6)
        ENDIF
C-----
C----- Print the number of channels out of the total number which are
C----- being studied. Show also the channels and the hydrophones they
C----- correspond to.
C
        TYPE 6000, NUMBER_CHOSEN,TOTAL_CHANNELS

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6000      FORMAT(/' ',T3,'Channel usage : ',I2,' chosen out of ',
        4      I2,' total')
C.. .....
C--- Call routine to compress the chosen channels into a format
C--- suitable for screen output, ie. 1-5,7,11,15-24.
C
      CALL COMPRESS(Number_chosen,Channels_chosen,NELS)
      TYPE*, ' Channels : ', OUTVECT(:NELS)
      CALL COMPRESS(Number_chosen,Hydrophones_chosen,NELS)
      TYPE*, ' Acoustic Channels: ', OUTVECT(:NELS)
C-----
C--- Print the number of records used, the number of FFT's calculated,
C--- and the average amount of system time per FFT per channel (not
C--- known on the first call.)
C
      TYPE 7000, frames_processed
7000      FORMAT(/' ',T3,'Number of input file accesses : ',I6)
      TYPE 8000, nrec
8000      FORMAT(/' ',T3,'Number of records processed : ',f6.2)
      TYPE 8100
8100      FORMAT(' ',T3,'Average time per frame :      sec')
C-----
C--- Set the timer and find the absolute value of time zero.
C
      BASE_TIME = FORSSECNDS(0.0)
C-----
C--- For successive calls just print the dynamic parameters.
C
      ELSE
C-----
C--- Find the amount of system time to have elapsed since time zero.
C
      DELTA_TIME = FORSSECNDS(BASE_TIME)
C-----
C--- Calculate the average time per FFT per channel.
C
      average_time_per_record = DELTA_TIME / nrec
C-----
C--- Update the system time.
C
      CALL SET CURSOR(2,30)
      TYPE 9000, DATE_AND_TIME
9000      FORMAT('+',A)
C-----
C--- If the number of channels and hydrophones printed on the first call
C--- were less than or equal to 16 then 16 lines were devoted to static
C--- parameters; otherwise, 18 lines were devoted to static parameters.
C
      IF (NELS .LE. 50) THEN
        BASE = 15
      ELSE
        BASE = 17
      ENDIF
C-----
C--- Update the number of records used, the FFT's completed and the
C--- average time per FFT per channel.
C
      CALL SET CURSOR(BASE + 2,37)
      TYPE 9100, frames_processed
9100      FORMAT('+',I6)
      CALL SET CURSOR(BASE + 4,33)
      TYPE 9200, nrec
9200      FORMAT('+',f6.1)
      CALL SET CURSOR(BASE + 5,27)
      TYPE 9300, average_time_per_record
9300      FORMAT('+',F5.2)
      ENDIF
      RETURN
      END
      SUBROUTINE COMPRESS(NUMBER_CHOSEN,INVECT,NELS)
      CHARACTER*128 OUTVECT
      INTEGER*2      Number_chosen
      INTEGER*2      INVECT(NUMBER_CHOSEN)
      INTEGER 2      Last_flag
      INTEGER*2      START
      INTEGER*2      ST
      INTEGER*2      Temp_flag
      INTEGER*2      NELS_
      INTEGER*2      L
      INTEGER*2      M
      COMMON /OUT/OUTVECT
      if (number_chosen.eq.1)then
        encode(2,100,outvect(1:2))invect(1)
100      format(12)
        nels = 2

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      return
    end if
    START = INVECT(1)
    ST = START
    NELS = 0
    Last_flag = 0
    Temp_flag = 0
    L = 1
    M = 2
    DO J = 2, Number_chosen
      IF (J.EQ.Number_chosen) Last_flag = 1
      IF (Last_flag.EQ.1) THEN
        IF INVECT(J).EQ.(ST+1) THEN
          ST = ST + 1
          CALL BUILDER(L,M,NELS,Last_flag,Start,ST)
        ELSE
          CALL BUILDER(L,M,NELS,Temp_flag,Start,ST)
          ST = INVECT(J)
          CALL BUILDER(L,M,NELS,Last_flag,ST,ST)
        END IF
      ELSE
        IF INVECT(J).EQ.(ST+1) THEN
          ST = ST + 1
        ELSE
          CALL BUILDER(L,M,NELS,Last_flag,Start,ST)
          START = INVECT(J)
          ST = START
        END IF
      END IF
    END DO
    RETURN
  END

  SUBROUTINE BUILDER(L,M,NELS,Last_flag,Start,Stop)
    CHARACTER*128      OUTVECT
    CHARACTER*1         SEPARATOR

    INTEGER*2           Last_flag
    INTEGER*2           START
    INTEGER*2           STOP
    INTEGER*2           More_flag
    INTEGER*2           NELS
    INTEGER*2           L
    INTEGER*2           M

    COMMON /OUT/OUTVECT

    IF (START.EQ.STOP) THEN
      ENCODE(2,100,OUTVECT(L:M),START)
      FORMAT(12)
      SEPARATOR = ' '
      CALL FILLER(START,L,M,SEPARATOR,Last_flag,NELS)
    ELSE
      ENCODE(2,100,OUTVECT(L:M),START)
      SEPARATOR = ' '
      CALL FILLER(START,L,M,SEPARATOR,Last_flag,NELS)
      ENCODE(2,100,OUTVECT(L:M),STOP)
      SEPARATOR = ' '
      CALL FILLER(STOP,L,M,SEPARATOR,Last_flag,NELS)
    END IF
    RETURN
  END

  SUBROUTINE FILLER(ELEMENT,L,M,SEPARATOR,Last_flag,NELS)
    CHARACTER*128      OUTVECT
    CHARACTER*1         SEPARATOR

    INTEGER*2           Last_flag
    INTEGER*2           ELEMENT
    INTEGER*2           NELS
    INTEGER*2           L
    INTEGER*2           M

    COMMON /OUT/OUTVECT

    IF (ELEMENT.LT.10) THEN
      OUTVECT(L:L) = OUTVECT(M:M)
      IF (Last_flag.EQ.1) AND (SEPARATOR.EQ.1) THEN
        NELS = NELS + 1
      ELSE
        OUTVECT(M:M) = SEPARATOR
        NELS = NELS + 2
        L = L + 2
        M = M + 2
      END IF
    ELSE
      IF (Last_flag.EQ.1) AND (SEPARATOR.EQ.1) THEN
        NELS = NELS + 2
      ELSE
        OUTVECT(M+1):(M+1) = SEPARATOR

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      NELS = NELS + 3  
      L = L + 3  
      M = M + 3  
    END IF  
  END IF  
  RETURN  
END
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